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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Faith In The UN

THAT President Eisenhower deems it expedient to send a message to the General Assembly reaffirming faith in the United Nations, and a widely-read American magazine considers the moment is propitious to canvass delegates' views on the question of the abandonment of UN, may be taken to indicate the degree to which world confidence in the organisation has become shaken and uncertain. The United Nations started off with such high hopes and splendid ideals, all embodied in a beautifully composed Charter. The Charter is still there, and the ideals continue to be restated; but the United Nations, as an organisation for the establishment and defender of world peace and prosperity is no longer united. It would be false, however, to declare that UNO is a failure. In many fields of international activity it has magnificent achievements to its credit. And if it has not yet succeeded in guaranteeing world peace and ensuring a universal adoption of the creed of human rights, the existence of UNO has, at least, welded together the champions of true democracy and has unerringly revealed those who give only lip service to the principles of the Charter but who have neither will nor intention of putting them into practice.

NOR is it right to lay the blame for the relative failure of the United Nations entirely on the delegates to the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Trusteeship Council, and the many other executive and administrative branches of the organisation. The inertia of public opinion has been a contributing factor. It has been laid down, with truth, that "the success or failure of the whole organisation, and with it the peace of the world, depend on a thorough understanding of the United Nations by the citizens of the countries who have pledged their allegiance to it." For without support, and without the support of public opinion, the United Nations cannot fully succeed. Unjust criticism, impatience, or vague formulae for perfection will not do. And with equal force it has been contended that the United Nations can function at its best only when the principles of justice and equality among all are applied in a constant process of peaceful development. Moreover, this can only be accomplished through the peoples of the world and every citizen of the United Nations. Thus President Eisenhower's reaffirmation of faith in the United Nations is at the same time a challenge to the peoples of the world to reassert their confidence in the ultimate success of the organisation. And whatever disappointment there may be over the inability to date of the United Nations to attain its highest and most cherished aims, it can still be fairly claimed that the existence of such an organisation at this time offers the best safeguard against a conflict which might well result in the total destruction of civilisation.

Britain May Transfer Troops From Suez To Jordan

DISCUSSIONS IN PROGRESS The Middle East Defence Scheme

London, Feb. 24. Britain disclosed officially today that she was consulting with the Government of Jordan on the stationing of forces in that country.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that consultations had been in progress for the past three weeks and that they were based on the 1948 Anglo-Jordanian Treaty of Friendship and Mutual Assistance.

If agreement was reached, Britain, it is understood, might move some of her forces from the Canal Zone to Jordan.

The disclosure came amid growing indications that Middle East defence questions were entering an active and decisive stage.

British talks with Egypt on the future of the much disputed Suez base were expected to start in a few days and to broaden into a full-scale review of Middle Eastern defence.

A special Israeli expert is flying to London from Tel-Aviv this week, presumably to voice his Government's desire not to be ignored in any forthcoming arrangements for the Middle East.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, is, on the other hand, to seek assurances from the new United States Administration during his talks in Washington next week for close Anglo-American co-operation in a new approach to Middle Eastern defence arrangements. Mr. Eden is known to consider a joint Anglo-American front an essential condition to successful negotiations with Egypt and other Arab states.

"LITTLE NATO"

Britain has so far been anxious not to disclose her terms for a settlement of the Suez dispute with Egypt, but indications are that she will be more amenable to the Egyptian demand for a withdrawal of her forces from the Zone if the latter agrees to join the Middle East Defence Organisation which would constitute a kind of "little NATO" for the area.

Britain has an estimated 70,000 men in the Canal Zone at present, some of whom might be moved out soon and others in stages. Some of them might be moved to Jordan which is said to have asked for British forces since she invoked the Anglo-Jordanian Treaty about three weeks ago as a result of alleged Israeli frontier violations.

The British view is that the Canal base must be maintained as an essential factor in Middle East defence arrangements and that Egypt should be in any such arrangement from the beginning. Evacuation would hardly be agreed on terms which would at any stage leave a defence vacuum.

On the other hand, the admission of Turkey to NATO and her increasingly active role in Near Eastern defence planning is considered by top British diplomats to have changed



No Chance Of Persia Accepting British Proposal

Teheran, Feb. 24. Mr. Kazem Hassabi, oil adviser to Prime Minister Mohammed Mossadegh, said tonight there was "no chance" of Persia accepting Britain's latest oil proposals as they stand.

The British proposals for compensation to the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, whose fields were nationalised by Persia, have been under close scrutiny since they were delivered four days ago.

One of the suggestions made by Britain is believed to be a demand for "goodwill money" from the Persian oil industry. This suggestion would never be accepted, Mr. Hassabi said.

"There is no chance of Persia accepting the latest British proposals for the compensation issue in their latest form," he said.

Britain made two proposals laid before Premier Mossadegh by Mr. Loy Henderson, American Ambassador, with an offer from the United States to buy Persian oil if either of the British suggestions were accepted.

Dr. Hussein Fatemi, Persian Foreign Minister, said today that Dr. Mossadegh was now ready to draft a reply to Britain. He said the proposals were studied in detail at a meeting yesterday with Mr. Henderson.

Persia has always said compensation was payable only for the assets and installations of the company in Persia until the day oil was nationalised in 1951.—Reuter.

DIFFERENCES COMPOSED

Teheran, Feb. 24. Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi and Premier Mohammed Mossadegh reached "temporary agreement" today in their dispute over alleged Court intrigues against the Premier and "serious internal troubles and bloodshed" have been averted.

A high official told the United Press after the meeting between the Shah and Dr. Mossadegh this morning, "A temporary agreement was reached between the Shah and the Premier in a four-hour meeting this morning and serious internal troubles, including bloodshed, have now been averted."

"His Majesty assured the Premier he had no reason to fear intrigues by the Court against him," the Shah had always supported him, "he said."

The "temporary agreement" forestalled a Court move to issue a counter-communicé clarifying his position on charges made by Dr. Mossadegh. Dr. Mossadegh, for his part, has now decided not to issue a communiqué of his own on his differences with the Court or demand by a broadcast and referendum whether the public wishes him to continue in office.—United Press.

Student In Trouble

A student is dragged by police from the University of Rome, where he and others barricaded themselves in as a protest against the imprisonment of "Criminals of Fascism" (ex-Fascist criminals charged with political crimes). All students were forcibly ejected by the police.—London Express.

Ban On Supplies To China

London, Feb. 24. Export licences have been refused for "all but half a dozen" items on the list of goods which the Communist China National Import Export Board wanted to buy from Britain, Mr. Harry Mackeson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, said today.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. John Rankin (Labour), he said the licences were refused because the goods came under the embargo recommended by the United Nations in May 1951 or because, in a few cases, they were scarce and needed by Britain.

Mr. Rankin asked why the number of items on the list which might not be exported to China had increased so much during the past year.

The list now exceeded greatly that suggested by the United Nations resolution, he added.

Mr. Mackeson replied he could not accept that without looking into the matter. The items were broadly speaking strategic goods which both the present and previous governments agreed not to export.

Mr. Rankin said in many cases the goods Britain was refusing to export are being supplied to China from within the Commonwealth. He gave manilla rope as an example.

Mr. Mackeson said Britain was not exporting manilla rope because she wanted it herself.—Reuter.

HK Bank's New Manager

Mr. Michael W. Turner has become the new Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

This was announced this morning in the following official statement:

The Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation announce that Mr. Michael W. Turner has been appointed Chief Manager in succession to the Hon. Sir Arthur Morse, CBE.

EISENHOWER'S MESSAGE TO UN

United Nations, Feb. 24. President Dwight D. Eisenhower today sent a message to the reconvening UN General Assembly saying that the problem of obtaining peace challenges our strength and said the world would watch UN deliberations with anxious eyes.

Mr. Eisenhower's message was read to delegates from 60 nations — including Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vyshinsky — by Assembly president Lester B. Pearson of Canada. It was his first act after calling the session to order for a series of crucial debates which are expected to be dominated by the issue of peace or continued war in Korea.

Mr. Eisenhower made no specific reference to Korea or any other of the hot political items on the Assembly's agenda, but UN officials hailed his message as an expression of faith in the world organisation and a determination to win with and through it.

"It is a pleasure to welcome to the United States the delegates to the seventh session of the General Assembly of the United Nations," the new US President said, "the United Nations has already accomplished much. I hope that it will grow in strength and become an increasingly effective instrument of peace."

THE TASK

"The achievement of a just and durable peace is essential to all the values which make life worth living. This task involves not only the building of collective security, it challenges our intelligence and our idealism on the whole board front of human activity. The delegates to this Assembly have a great opportunity to advance the cause of peace. The world will watch your deliberations with deep interest and high hopes. I wish you Godspeed."

The delegates heard the message and took part in the nine-minute opening formalities of the second half of the seventh session then they adjourned until tomorrow when regular business is scheduled.

An expected demonstration against Vyshinsky did not materialise. New York police and UN guards were on hand to prevent any possible disorders.

About 20 pickets, carrying a coffin, demonstrated against Dominican strongman Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo but there was no disorder.

Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., made his first appearance as new chief US delegate just before Mr. Pearson banged the gavel. He was greeted with applause from the jammed public galleries.

Mr. Pearson called the delegates' attention to the fact that he had sent to Communist China and North Korea the text of the Indian-sponsored compromise Korean peace solution approved by the Assembly during the

importance both to members of the United Nations and to the organisation as a whole. Resumption of the meetings of the seventh session at this time gives to the Assembly this new opportunity of devoting to these questions the serious consideration which they merit. I wish to welcome you once again to participate with renewed determination in our common task of giving effect to the high principles of the United Nations Charter to which all members have subscribed. — Associated Press and United Press.

Woman Killed In Explosion

Paris, Feb. 24. An explosion in an ammunition factory shook the Western Paris suburb of Sevres today, killing one woman worker and severely burning 11 women and two men.

The blast tore off their clothes and blew out the roof, doors, and windows of the building in which they were working.

A huge sheet of flame shot high in the air.—Reuter.

DUTCH GOVT TO EXPEL TASS CORRESPONDENT

The Hague, Feb. 24. The Dutch government is going to expel Lev Pissarev, correspondent of the Soviet news agency Tass, as a spy.

Pissarev was arrested last December 23. A Foreign Office communiqué today said "speedy" intervention of the authorities had halted his "inadmissible activities" in their initial stages.

"Under these circumstances, it has been found advisable not to bring a court action against him, but to expel him from the Netherlands," the communiqué declared.

Pissarev was arrested in the act of receiving what police said were faked documents from a Dutch contactman.

The Russian was charged with having made contact with lower

To Sign Pact Of Friendship

Istanbul, Feb. 24. Turkey and Greece will sign a friendship treaty with Yugoslavia on Friday or Saturday in Ankara, diplomatic sources said today.

The agreement is expected to state it is open to any neighbouring country which wishes to join to the provision.

Observers say the treaty will have no military or defensive character, but will be purely political. However, talks are expected to continue between the top military of the three Balkan nations toward an eventual joint defence arrangement tied up indirectly with NATO.—Associated Press.

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Wearing his famous black beret, Professor Ernest Reuter, Mayor of West Berlin, arrives at Northolt Airport, London, on a visit as a guest of the Junior Carlton Club. During his week's stay he conferred with British Government and Opposition leaders and addressed the Anglo-German Society. — Express Photo.

New Discoveries In Scientists' Cancer Research

New York, Feb. 24. Seven Japanese scientists have isolated the virus from a particular type of cancer.

Three American scientists have produced evidence that a certain kind of cancer cell contains an ingredient which behaves like a virus.

These were today's most fascinating items from laboratories throughout the world where scientists bend over test tubes and microscopes in search of the cause or causes of the last understood of deadly diseases afflicting man.

They were fascinating because in the words of the Japanese scientists "it is natural to believe that the malignant growth is due to some external agent capable of sustaining action and the assumption that this agent is living and multiplying in the neoplasia (cancer) appears to be the best explanation for its persistent effects."

But of scores and scores of types of tumours only three can be demonstrated to be caused by specific virus—the rousp tumour of fowls, the Shope tumour of rabbits and the kidney tumour of frogs. To these three the Japanese said that they had added the Yoshida tumour of rats.

The American scientists were Drs. Abraham Cantarow, Joseph Stanesky and Karl Paschalis of Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. They reported through the American Cancer Society which supports their studies.

They minced cells of the lymphatic cancer of rats. This mince was spun in a machine to separate its component parts. One of these parts was demonstrated to be the hereditary, or "gene" part of the cell. The scientists also demonstrated that their mince contained no whole cells.

The gene part was injected into rats and 40 per cent quickly developed lymphatic cancers. Sixty per cent which did not were injected with the whole cancer cells. They still did not develop cancers.

But it must be kept in mind that in animals, not man, and neither study held any immediate promise in either the treatment or the cure of human cancers. — United Press.

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Chain Of Army Posts Set Up Along Frontier

New Delhi, Feb. 24. The Chinese are building up a chain of military posts along the Southern Himalayan frontier of Tibet, bordering on India, Nepal and the Indian-protected States of Sikkim and Bhutan.

Tibetan businessmen, arrived in India from Lhasa, estimate the total strength of the Chinese now in Tibet at a minimum of 100,000. This figure tallies with the reports of other traders recently arriving at the Indian trading post of Kalimpong from Tibet.

Strong concentrations of Chinese troops are reported at Chamdo in Eastern Tibet, where the Chinese first entered the country; in and round Lhasa itself, where there are 15,000 to 20,000 men; at Garok and Gyantse; and in frontier posts all along the Himalayan region, particularly in the Chumbi valley before the Nathula pass, leading into Sikkim, where traders report that there are at least 5,000 troops.

But although all the Chinese in Tibet are in military uniform, at least half of them are engaged in more or less civilian occupations from the building of roads and barracks, to irrigation and farming on the land, and administrative posts in offices and banks, the Tibetan businessmen said. Many of them appear to have come as settlers.

The biggest force of Chinese military labour is employed in building at top speed a motor road from Sinkiang province, in the heart of Chinese Asia, through Western Tibet to Lhasa. A first 500-mile strip of all-weather road is reported already to have been completed.

Two more military roads will eventually lead from China into the Tibetan capital, one from the North through Nagchuka, and the other through Chamdo.

New Plan For Finding Killers

Tunis, Feb. 24. The Police, vainly seeking the killers of the Tunisian labour leader, Ferhat Hached, for 10 weeks, are planning their hopes on a new reconstruction of the crime.

The new re-enactment, which will take place in several weeks, will assemble everyone who was in the vicinity of the kidnapping and machine-gunning on December 5.

The Police said that there were several more witnesses than those who originally came forward and it was hoped that the reconstruction might smoke them out.

Hached's murder touched off the December Casablanca riots in Morocco, Tunisia's sister port, costing more than 30 lives.

The nationalists claimed that Hached was murdered and dumped on a roadside by members of the French colonial "Red Hand" organisation.

Criticism mounted, meanwhile, that friends of the victim, the nationalist leader of the largest labour union in the Muslim world, had not yet been released from "protective custody." — United Press.

Entirely Up To Chiang

Washington, Feb. 24. The State Department announced today that the Chinese Nationalist decision to abrogate the 1945 treaty with the Soviet Union was a matter entirely up to the Nationalists.

A State Department spokesman said: "We do not yet have the official confirmation of the reported abrogation of the Chinese Nationalists of the 1945 treaty with the Soviet Union. This is, of course, a matter entirely up to the decision of the Chinese Nationalists."

Asked whether the Chinese Nationalists had informed the United States Government of its decision to abrogate the treaty in question, the spokesman replied that he did not know but doubted if this had been done. — France-Press.

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Parliament In Capetown Dissolved

General Election In April

Capetown, Feb. 24. South Africa's 10th Parliament was dissolved today after passing the second of two Bills authorising sterner measures to deal with the defiance campaign against the Government's segregation policy.

The General Election, one of the most critical in the history of the Union, will be on April 15.

The last act of the old Parliament was to pass a resolution unopposed in both Houses that the Senate and Assembly should join in sending an address to Queen Elizabeth congratulating her on her coming Coronation.

The Criminal Law Amendment Bill was approved by the Senate this afternoon by 34 votes to 4.

It imposes severe penalties, including floggings, for aiding the defiance campaign.

The other important Bill passed by this session, which opened on January 23, was the Public Safety Bill, giving the Government wide powers to deal with resistance to "Apartheid"—segregation.

It enables the Government to declare a State of Emergency and to legislate by proclamation.

The United (opposition) Party gave its support in principle to both these Bills.—Reuter.

Murderess Being Sent To U.S.

Tokyo, Feb. 24. Mrs. Dorothy Krueger Smith is en route to the U.S. today to begin serving a life prison term for the knife murder of her husband, Colonel Aubrey D. Smith.

Mrs. Smith, daughter of General Walter Krueger, World War II commander of the U.S. Sixth Army, was put aboard a plane flight yesterday to Travis Air Force Base, California.

The Army said orders were received from Washington transferring Mrs. Smith to custody of the Sixth Army, San Francisco. There were no other details.

Mrs. Smith, 40, was convicted by a general court martial on January 10 of the fatal stabbing on October 3 of Col. Smith, a Far East Command operations officer, in their Tokyo home.

She has been held in the prison ward of a Tokyo hospital. The defence contended her addiction to alcohol and sedatives caused temporary insanity.

Her children are with General Krueger, now retired, and his wife at San Antonio, Texas.—Associated Press.

War Minister Stresses Role Of Singapore MAIN SUPPLY BASE IN FAR EAST

London, Feb. 24.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Anthony Head, today stressed the importance of Singapore as Britain's main supply base in the Far East.

He wrote in a memorandum presented with the Army Estimates:

"Whilst there is little of immediate spectacular interest to report from there, much work is continuously going on in planning and organising this base and its defences to make it ready for any future requirements."

Drug Ring Smashed

Tokyo, Feb. 24. Japanese police said today that 15 Chinese nationals and nine Japanese women have been arrested after the round-up of a large-scale drug smuggling ring in Yokohama.

Police said seven others were being sought by investigators in connection with operations of the ring.

Yokohama authorities believe the drug smugglers had offices in Tokyo, Yokohama and Kobe, and paid for the drugs with pilchard.—Reuter.

ECHO OF WESTERLING REVOLT

Djakarta, Feb. 24.

A former Indonesian Minister, Sultan Hamid II, will be tried here tomorrow.

The ex-Government official is charged with attempting to overthrow the Government following the transfer of sovereignty.

Following Hamid's arrest in April 1950, a series of Government communications indicated that Hamid was the brain behind the revolt started by the former Dutch army officer, Turko Westerling.

Hamid is alleged to have ordered Westerling to attack a Cabinet meeting which was due to take place on January 24, 1950—one day after the Bandung coup—by the Ministers and shoot the Defence Minister along with his Secretary-General and the Chief of Staff.—France-Press.

Reviewing the war against Communism in Malaya, he wrote:

"It should not be supposed that contacts with the terrorists are an everyday occurrence. A soldier may spend many days on operations without any sign of terrorists."

"Such operations, though necessary, tend to become monotonous, but this monotony must not be allowed to lead to carelessness, for with carelessness comes death."

"The tension of this war of nerves with an unseen enemy in the jungle should be kept in mind when thinking of our soldiers in Malaya."

Mr. Head added:

"The recent improvement in the situation shown by a decline in terrorist activity and a decrease in our casualties, is due in no small part to the efforts of our troops."

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The memorandum went on to say:

"In Hongkong we have the lukewarm war. There our troops have to be constantly on the alert, ready to deal with any aggression against the Colony."

"They mostly live in temporary camps out in the new territories. Conditions are not easy, and the Army spends its time training hard and working on its defences."

"This year good progress has been made in the preparation of obstacles covering our frontier defences."

Ending his comments on the Far East, the War Secretary wrote:

"It should be noted that a considerable part of the Army is today serving in the Far East under active service or near active service conditions."

"Their task is the 'containment' of the vast forces of Communism in China which face the security of all Southeast Asia."—Reuter.

Claim By Burmese Official

Hyderabad, Feb. 24.

The Burmese Parliamentary Secretary of the Labour Ministry, U Shwe, declared here today that despite the illegal activities of Communist insurgents, the writ of the Burmese government was supreme throughout Burma.

U Shwe, who came here to attend the annual conference of the Hyderabad Labour Association, said at a Press conference that the Communist Party in Burma, which was not recognised either by Peking or the Cominform, was divided itself and had little or no influence on the masses nor was there any relation between them and their compatriots in Communist China or Indo-China.

However, there was documentary evidence to show that the Chinese Kuomintang was collaborating with Burmese Communists.

Operations of the insurgents, U Shwe added, were curbed to a great extent.

More than 10,000 of the insurgents have surrendered so far and were now working for the Government.

Dealing with land reform, he said that 8,000,000 out of 13,000,000 acres of land have already been allotted to tenants. He added that the Government did not propose to nationalise the land until they had enough money to pay the landlords.—France-Press.

Manila, Feb. 24. Six United States Navy amphibious planes will be in over the Philippine Government under the mutual defence assistance programme of the U.S. Government tomorrow, the National Defence Department announced today.

The aircraft of the FB-50 type, are the first of two groups of planes to be turned over to the Philippines Government.—Reuter.

Princess Spends Birthday At School



To Princess Margriet of the Netherlands, her 10th birthday was just the same as any other day, for she went to school as usual, but she was surrounded by her school chums who sang songs in her honour. She is seen here, wearing a duffle coat, singing with her school friends during her birthday celebrations. — Express Photo.

"Voice Of America" Broadcast Division Chief Suspended

Washington, Feb. 24.

The State Department today suspended Mr. Alfred H. Morton, Chief of the Voice of America Propaganda Broadcasting Division.

It said he disregarded an order forbidding the use of material from Communist writers in broadcasts to Iron Curtain countries.

Mr. Morton is Chief of the International Broadcasting Service at New York.

Mr. Carl McCordle, Assistant Secretary of State, said Mr. Morton sent a memorandum to other officials of the Voice of America expressing disagreement with the order against using material from Communist sources.

Mr. McCordle said Department officials were beginning an immediate investigation of Mr. Morton's action.

Mr. McCordle said his office had last week issued the order that material by Communist or fellow-traveller writers must not be used under any circumstances on Voice of America programmes.

Mr. Morton had sent a memorandum to the State Department saying that he disagreed with the order and indicating he would disregard it.

Dr. Robert L. Johnson, 58-year-old President of Temple University, Philadelphia, was today named Acting Chief of the Overseas Information Service.

Dr. Johnson said in an interview he would make a broad study of the whole service and tell President Eisenhower "yes" or "no" in about a month. He said he would probably accept the job.

He would do all he could to help the new Administration. Senator Styles Bridges (Republican) today called for a full investigation of the Voice of America's request for \$4,000,000 (about \$1,425,000) to equip a ship to beam radio programmes behind the Iron Curtain.

In a letter to Republican Senator Joseph McCarthy, head of the Senate Investigations Committee, he said the Voice already had one ship equipped and stationed in the Dodecanese islands in the Eastern Mediterranean, and was equipping another.

He suggested that it should perfect its signal equipment before attempting other experiments.—Reuter.

Getting Ready For Everest

New Delhi, Feb. 24.

The advance party of the British Everest expedition—Mr. Alfred Gregory and Dr. Charles Evans—left Delhi tonight for Nepal to start preparations for the 11th attack on the world's highest mountain.

All but two of the previous attempts were British. The last two, both in 1952, were Swiss.

The expedition is expected to last four months.—Reuter.

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Ceylon Warned By U.S.

Dominion Treading "Dangerous Path"

Washington, Feb. 24.

Informed sources said today that the United States, through its Ambassador in Colombo, had warned the Ceylon Government that it was treading a dangerous path that was bound to lead to trouble through its five-year trade contract with Communist China.

The next step would be for Communist China to demand to open an Embassy in Ceylon which would become a Communist propaganda centre and might result in Colombo being the chief Communist centre in Southern Asia.

The sources were commenting on the reported statement in Colombo by the Ceylonese Food Minister, Sir Oliver Goode, who, on February 22 that Communist China had "saved" Ceylon from a famine.

This was not a true statement as the United States believed that Ceylon could have obtained enough rice from the United States, Burma and other countries to tide over an admittedly difficult period.

They pointed out that as a result of the five-year contract with Communist China to buy rice from that country in exchange for the strategic war material of rubber, Burma was not allocating rice to Ceylon and further that a special allocation of 50,000 tons of rice offered by the United States to Ceylon had only partially been taken up.

NO NEED

They said that much of this rice allocation was at present being bought by Indonesia which does not sell its rubber to Communist China.

The sources pointed out that the United States considered that there was no need for Ceylon to make the five-year agreement with Communist China to exchange rice for rubber to tide it over its difficult rice shortage period at present.

Further, they understood that the Chinese rice landed in Ceylon cost about the same as Burma rice landed there.

They added that the United States had been informed that Britain also had made representations to Ceylon on this subject.—United Press.

Investiture At The Palace

London, Feb. 24.

Servicemen from the three fighting forces, commended for bravery in Korea and Malaya, were among 280 men and women who went to Buckingham Palace today to receive awards from the Queen.

Queen Elizabeth presented medals and insignia individually to each recipient in the white and gold ballroom at her third investiture in successive weeks.—Reuter.

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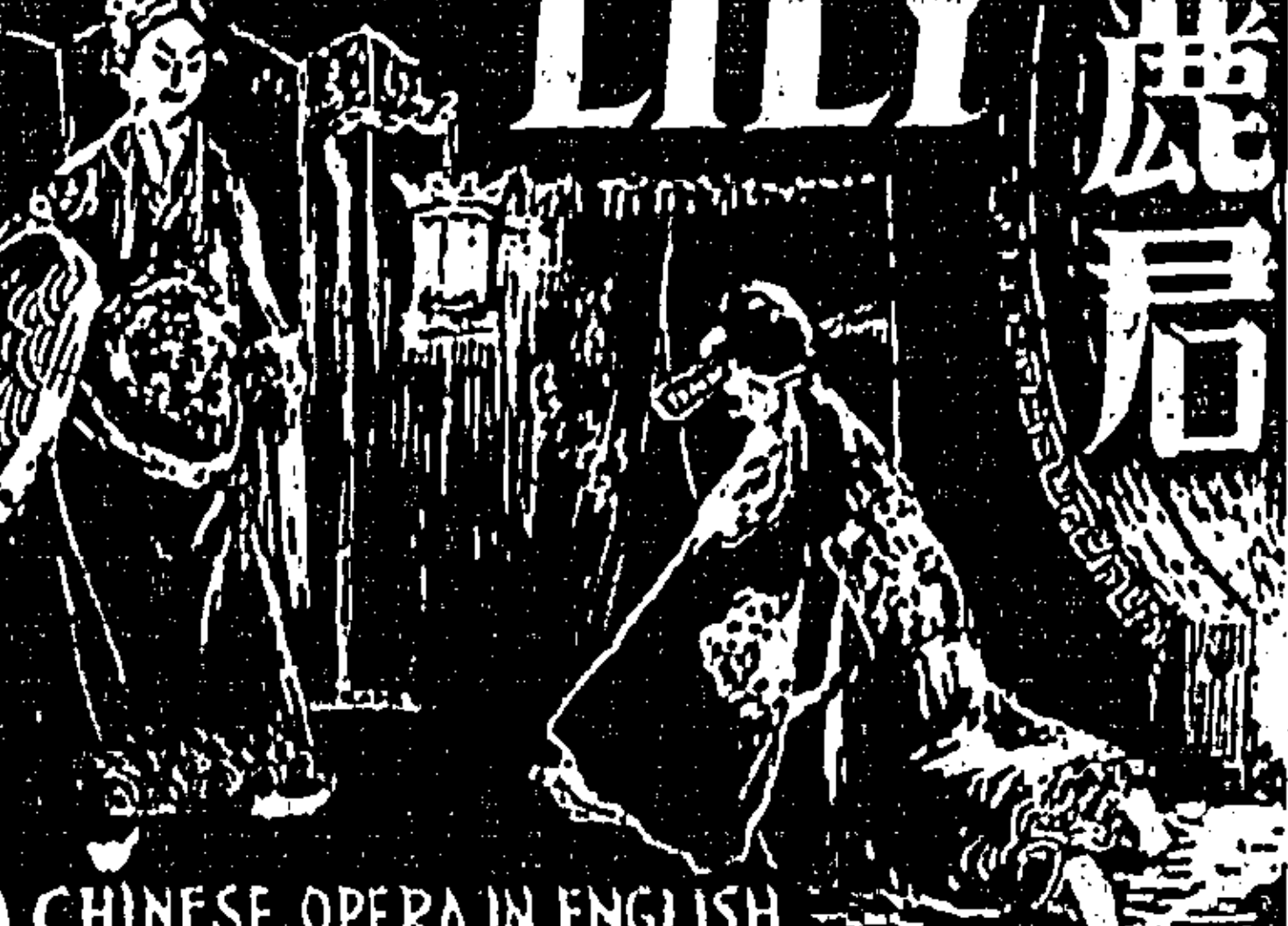
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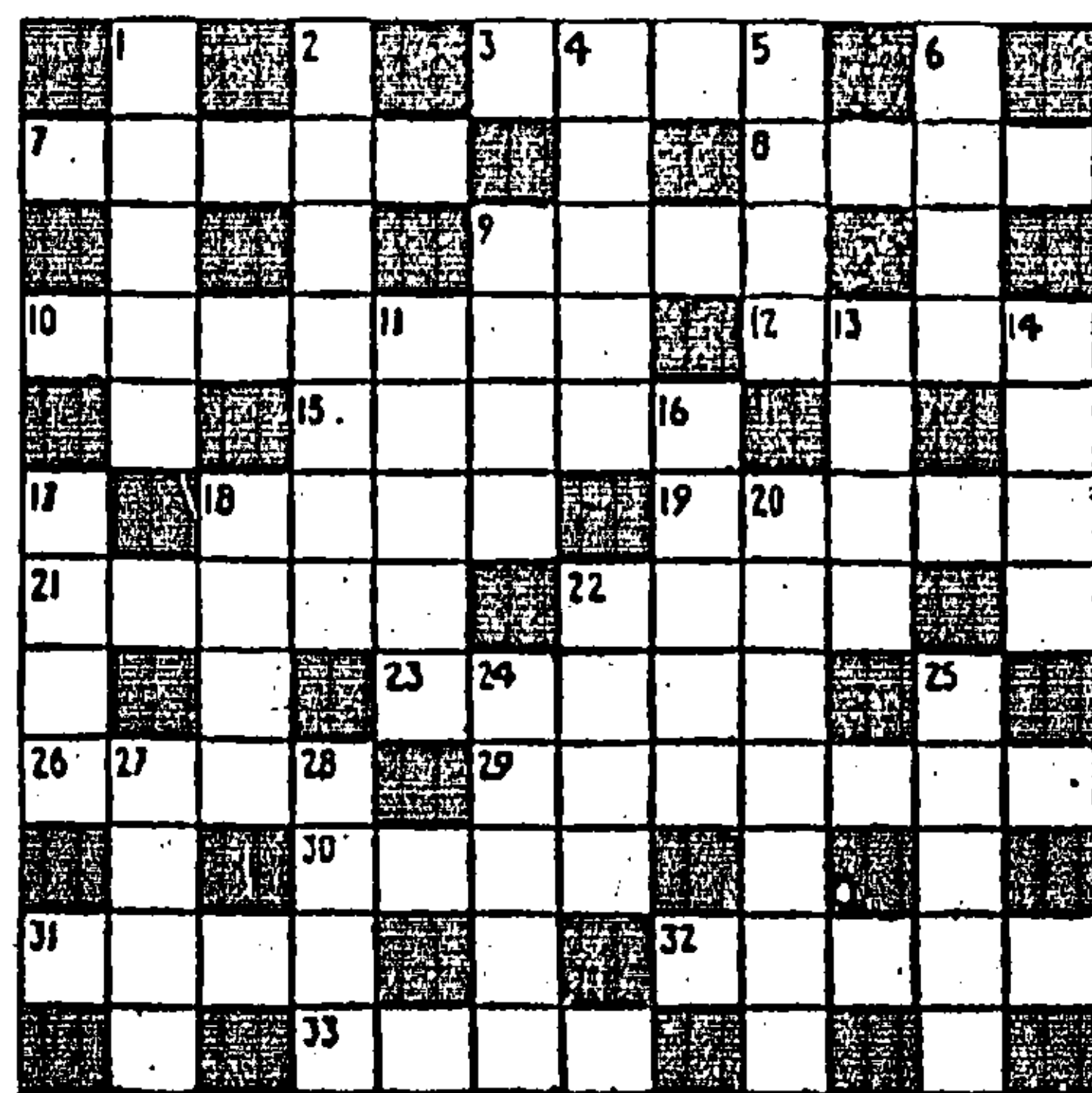
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ACROSS

DOWN

- 3 Requests (4).
- 7 Cluster (5).
- 8 Half-open (4).
- 9 Break off (4).
- 10 Disturb (7).
- 12 Droops (4).
- 15 Declares solemnly (5).
- 18 Summer (5).
- 19 Angry (5).
- 21 Perpendicular (5).
- 22 Victim (4).
- 23 Rate of progress (5).
- 26 Facts (4).
- 29 Made certain of (7).
- 30 Prejudice (4).
- 31 Beak (4).
- 32 Pigment (5).
- 33 Otherwise (4).

- 1 Banners (5).
- 2 Copy (7).
- 4 Tendon (5).
- 5 Undermines (4).
- 6 Crew (4).
- 9 Put away (4).
- 11 Asserts (5).
- 13 Not at home (4).
- 14 Hastened (4).
- 16 Ancestress (5).
- 17 Accustomed (4).
- 18 Despatched (4).
- 20 Diminishes (7).
- 22 Confines (4).
- 24 Chinese (5).
- 25 Danger (5).
- 27 Sour (4).
- 28 Clever (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Remiss, 7 Avoid, 9 Talit, 10 Ruled, 11 Eros, 13 Destroying, 15 Fear, 16 Anti, 19 Lamentable, 22 Lark, 24 Peels, 25 Elliot, 26 Rest, 27 Dureas, Down: 2 Emits, 3 Enter, 4 Spray, 5 Talented, 6 Lido, 8 Merge, 12 Serve, 13 Draw, 14 Trinkets, 17 Tires, 18 Ruined, 20 Infer, 21 Amaze, 23 Apex.

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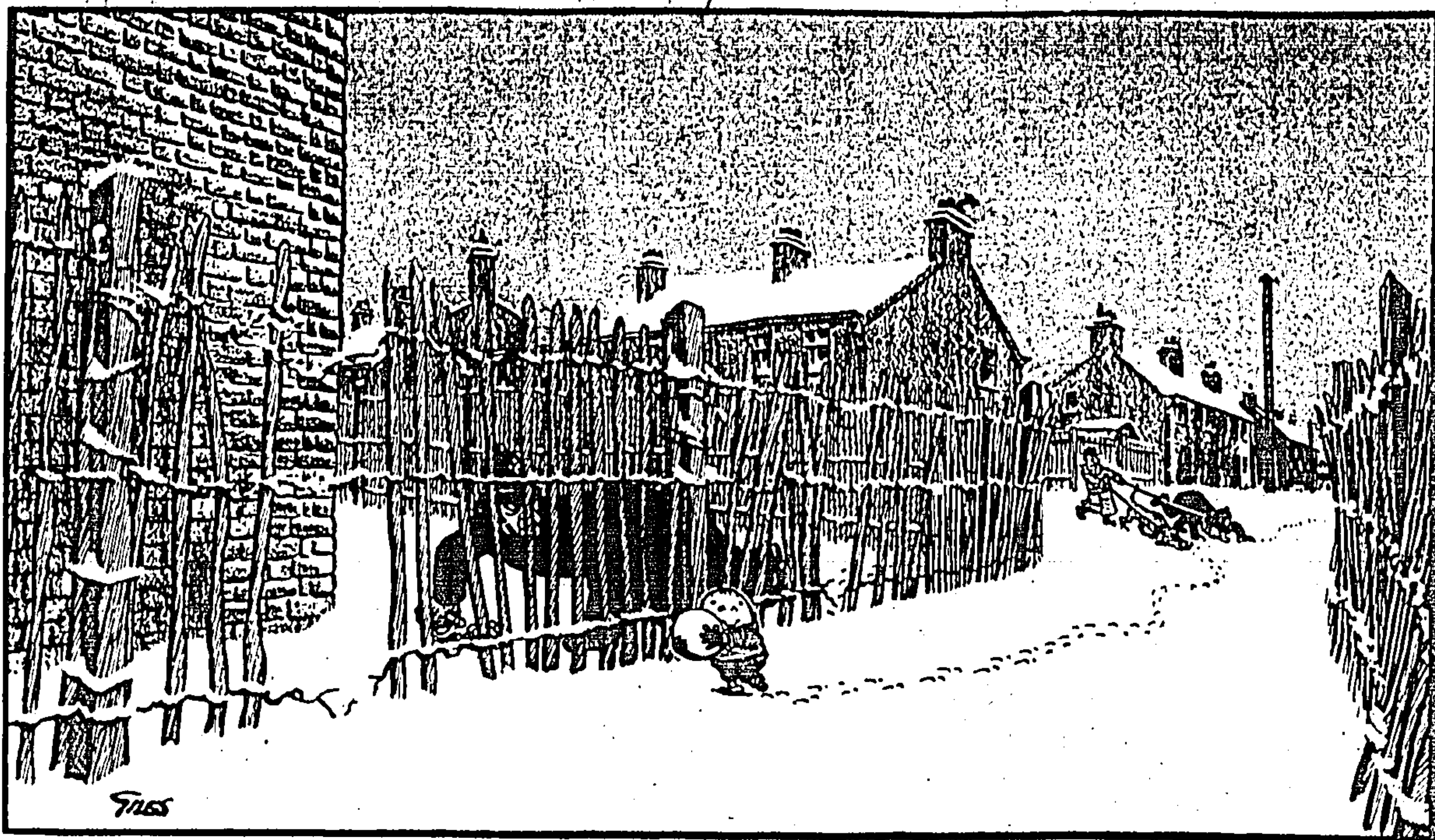
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London Express Service

THE NAZI REVIVAL—THIRD DAY

GIANT SWASTIKAS AT SECRET MEETINGS

By Antony Terry

IN hundreds of secret meetings all over Germany the Nazis have been holding "celebrations." In each one the scene was roughly the same, though the size of the meetings varied between half a dozen people and several hundred.

A speaker's rostrum up one end of the room, flanked with two palm trees in pots and covered with a giant swastika or a red white and black flag (the colours of the old German Reich); behind the speaker a picture of Hitler draped with mourning crepes; flags and emblems of the SS, the Hitler Youth hanging from the walls; candles instead of electric lighting.

This is what the average Nazi meeting looks like. Of course it is illegal. The German police find these meetings very difficult to discover and raid.

There are other gatherings, held more openly, in beer cellars, but these are getting rarer as the police are becoming more alert and liable to make snap raids.

To make it even more difficult the Nazis have their special code words, their underground language, their secret hideouts.

Each member of the party is sworn to silence, on pain of reprisals, which can mean beating up the "traitor" within an inch of his life.

Recently the occasion was a big one for the jackboot brigade. It was the 20th anniversary of Hitler's taking over power in 1933. Every year there are meetings on January 30—one of the biggest days in the Nazi calendar, next to Hitler's birthday on April 20.

SAME POINTS
SPEAKERS—all followed the same lines, made the same points. Germany's revival as a world power, they said, was being hindered by "Jews, Capitalists and other lickspittles of the British and Americans." The Nazis were biding their time, building up a powerful movement which would one day sweep the "decadent corrupt bourgeois parties from the saddle and re-establish a Germanic government before which Germany's enemies will hold their breath in awe."

Mixed with many of the speeches was a lot of the same old twaddle about "racial purity" and "blood and soil."

All of this sounds very familiar. And probably Germany's M15 officials are partly right when they claim that these hundreds, or even thousands, of little meetings held under a different name in each place are not dangerous at the moment, because they are run by men who do not amount to much in Germany nowadays, though they held great power in the days of Hitler.

British officials are not so sure. That is why they have

been quietly watching the Nazi underground right down from its top brains trust among German big business, through the pro-Nazi politicians in the government parties, to the little jackbooted fanatics who like to dress up secretly in their uniforms and stand with hands outstretched "Heilung" a picture of Hitler or Goering.

The task of keeping an eye on the Nazis has become immensely more difficult during the past year.

Before then the Nazis felt safe against interference. They thought no one would interfere with them. Even I, a Britisher, was able to forget too many details about their activities (and even about the illegal arms shipments which Russia regularly ferries across the Soviet zone border into West Berlin and West Germany to help the Nazis cause trouble one day) simply by pretending I was a fanatical Nazi supporter, mouthing a lot of pro-Hitler slogans and casually asking questions in the beer cellars they frequent.

VERY DIFFICULT
TODAY things are very difficult. Under foreign pressure, and especially under the weight of British and American public opinion, the German Government has been forced to take action to curb the Nazis' more open activities.

Firebrands like Generals "Papa" Ramecke and Remer have been tactfully stopped from making openly anti-British and anti-American speeches. The result has been to force the Nazis underground, where they are very much more difficult to trace.

It has also started them in affording successfully in the right wing parties in the Adenauer government, the "German Party" the "Free Democrats," and other groups with millions of active supporters in everyday political life.

There are only 40 British public safety officials in Germany able to make a swoop like the recent one on the Nazi leaders. Most of them are experienced ex-Scotland Yard detectives. But soon they will be returning home—for good.

British Intelligence in Germany has many undercover agents. Most are Germans, for it is almost impossible for a Britisher to gain entrance to the Nazis' inner councils. It was the reports by these undercover agents which built up the mass evidence against the Nazis "criminal trust" which led to the recent arrests.

More even than on the agents' work however did the British rely on the Nazis' own stupidity.

For during recent months they had relaxed many of the precautions they formerly took to lead the British off the scent. They believed that not only were they plotting their supporters into many key posts inside the German Government, but that the peace treaties would soon be signed and Germany would be free to run her own affairs.

LAST SWOOP
THEIR calculations misfired because ratification was held up, and the stupid British were able to make a last swoop. It has set the Nazi movement in Germany back several years.

British servicemen see nothing of this illegal underground activity which is going on all over Germany today. The average National Serviceman speaks hardly any German. In some places the Nazis hold illegal meetings in halls at the back of restaurants while British servicemen sit innocently drinking beer with their Frauliches in the public bar, unaware that budding Hitlerians are holding inflammatory speeches not twenty yards from where they are sitting.

ROUNDAABOUT TOKYO

By RICHARD HUGHES

KENICHI Torida, veteran Osaka detective and "Sherlock Holmes" of Japan, with 400 crimes solved in 46 years, has retired at 65 — to "devote more time to prayer."

Recently Japan's "Sherlock Holmes" has been worrying over the fate of the spirits of 10 murderers hanged on his evidence.

"If I don't pray for them, who will?" he asked earnestly. "They were all guilty, I know. But they would probably be alive had I not arrested and charged them. I would like to soothe their spirits by sincere prayer."

ALL poker machines will be removed from Tokyo hotels, clubs and restaurants. The police says: "They attract undesirable, encourage anti-social habits, waste money and are an indirect incentive to stealing, embezzlement and non-payment of debts."

A highly embarrassed audience of night watchmen from Tokyo department stores recently listened to a forceful lecture on their shortcomings and negligence.

The frank and eloquent guest speaker, Shinichi Ogawa, was escorted to the podium by police who made respectful notes of his observations.

Ogawa-san was sentenced last month to five years' imprisonment for a series of profitable night robberies of department stores. Grateful (he said) for the courtesy shown him by the police, he offered to explain his technique to the night watchmen.

When he had so successfully outwitted.

Current repairs being effected to serious cracks in the neck of the great Moonlit Buddha ("Gekko Boudatsu"), a national treasure at Nara, have aroused violent disputation in Japanese Buddhist circles.

The Yoshino earthquake in July cracked the neck of the historic statue, which was built in 700 A.D., and the Cultural Property Protection Commission swiftly authorized the expenditure of 10 million yen for repairs.

The technicians agreed that Buddha's head must come off for proper restoration, discovered that two steel rods held the head to the body and sawed them through without consulting short-tempered Abbot Matsukobu of the Yakushiji Temple, who roared: "I said you could take Buddha's head off, but I didn't say you could cut it off!"

Matsukobu demands that "the abbot's" who performed this brutal desecration "be punished."

So far the Nazis avoid trying conclusions with the British troops. Their motto is still "watch, wait and build up." Their hatred of the British for interfering in this nice little programme and their fury at the recent arrests is proof that our Intelligence struck at the right moment.

The trouble is that in a few months it will be powerless. All rights to strike at the Nazis will have passed into German hands. And that is the day the Nazis are waiting for. For with their friends in high places they reckon to be safe from interference.

**TOMORROW:
What The Average
German Thinks**

Nathaniel Gubbins

THE year 1953 seems much the same as 1933 (or even 1923) when you read the gossip columns.

In 1933 (and 1923) gossip writers were breathlessly reporting: "I run into Lady X..." "I bumped into Lord Y..." "I barged into a party given by the Countess of Z..."

It looks as if important people are still being knocked about and trodden on while they are being hunted by gossip hounds.

For on February 4, 1953, a Mr Peter Kent wrote from Monte Carlo:—

"Bumped into Aly Khan at the Casino, chivied him gently on his new Sunday evening rig-out..." "Ran into Jean Cocteau relaxing near here..."

When I was tracking down the aristocracy for a gossip column some time in the middle-thirties, I gave titled people no quarter and asked for none. I was snubbed by a dozen duchesses a day, cursed by almost every peer in the realm, and, after a good go at their free buffets, cursed them back in language they had not heard since they were at Eton.

When an earl aimed a kick at me other gossip writers (all a bit snobbish) thought I was lucky to be noticed by him at all. But I didn't think so. I was furious. I tried to kick him in the shins, but as it was at the end of a long evening, I fell over and was hustled out by two butlers.

Looking back at some stuff I jotted down at the time (never printed, unfortunately) I am amazed that one so young could write such beautiful English. Here is some of it:—

"Barged into a party not a million miles from Piccadilly and after taking refreshment (and how) at the free buffet, bumped into several dukes and stumbled over a prostrate duchess in the doorway."

"I was then whisked off to another party by somebody whose name I have forgotten but who paid for the taxi (good-oh), but was whisked out of the place soon after by the head waiter because I hadn't been invited."

"Feeling hungry, I then barged into another free buffet,

New York.

WOMEN HAVE MADE
15 marriage proposals to Thomas Evans Riddle. He is 106, and all the proposals have been made since he started an action to break the £1,400,000 will of the late Samuel D. Riddle.

Samuel was a turf man and owned the renowned racehorse Man o' War.

Thomas is nearly blind, but he enjoys having the marriage offers read to him.

MR ATOM has quit without realising one of his ambitions—to bring about a closer exchange of atomic information with Britain.

Mr Atom—Gordon Dean, a California lawyer—steps down as chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, guardian of the atom bombs. But he will remain on the job for three months to help President Eisenhower's new chairman work his way into one of the world's toughest jobs.

FOR nearly a month 23 U.S. Navy men have been sealed inside the submarine Haddock. They are to stay bottled up for another month at least. The submarine is docked at New London, Connecticut. Each day Commander Gerald Duffner and a doctor visit the crew through an air lock in the forward torpedo tube.

The men, all volunteers, live under conditions judged to be as near as possible to those in submerged atomic submarines of the future.

How long can they hold out? That will be shown by the test.

THE DOLLAR is buying more in New York's restaurants. One group invites you to bring a guest once a week for a free meal. But you must buy drinks for both. Turkey dinner is 60 cents (4s. 3d.), a price unknown in the city for years.

CHICAGO TRANSPORT found today that it has a permanent guest, Mrs Anna Cox, 73-year-old street vendor, has been sleeping on the tram for seven years. Not because she is too poor. She always pays her fares and has more than £2,200 in the bank. She says hotels catch fire, beds are uncomfortable, and tram seats just dandy.

was along out for acosting a baronet and was finally whirled home at midnight on a tram to Clapham, S.W."

Rover in trouble

It was the day after the wedding anniversary of Mr and Mrs X. Mrs X was cross-questioning their dog Rover.

Was Mr X carrying a parcel when you met him at the station yesterday evening, Rover?

No I don't think so.

Mr X told me he was carrying a parcel, Rover.

Then he must have been. Why "must" Rover?

Because Mr X is the soul of truth and honour.

The parcel was supposed to contain a present for me as it was our wedding anniversary. Did you and Mr X go into the Barley Mow?

I don't remember.

Mr X does, where did he put the parcel when you went into the Barley Mow?

On a chair, I think.

You said just now that Mr X wasn't carrying a parcel.

I've just remembered that he was.

Do you think Mr X let the parcel in the Barley Mow when you came home?

I'm sure he did. But you can't blame him for that. He's so important at the office with so many things on his mind.

Mr X says he gave you the parcel to carry home.

Did he? Oh yes. Of course he did. I remember now.

What happened to the parcel, Rover?

Well, I met my girl friend, Fido, and I expect I dropped it somewhere. It's all my fault.

Excuse me while I answer this telephone, Rover.

Mr X has just rung up to say he is sorry he forgot the anniversary and told so many lies about the parcel last night. He is bringing me a present this evening.

I was only trying to protect Mr X.

Of course you were. Stop crying now, Rover. If you're a good dog you can have Fido round to tea this afternoon.

(London Express Service)

LET BRITAIN'S ATHLETES RACE WITHOUT CASH CHAINS!

Says PETER WILSON

London.

Most sports have moved with the times. Not so track and field athletics.

The attitude here, among the legislators, remains rooted in those happy days when a young man of good social standing, almost certainly with a university background, fortunate enough to be born with an adequate physique and a wealthy father, could afford to represent his country without bothering overmuch about the boring necessity of earning his living.

That is why, on the surface, I stress the phrase—athletes are still a strictly amateur sport. Unfortunately, other countries—particularly, of course, in the four-yearly Olympic Games—have adopted a less-holy-than-thou, but more realistic, attitude.

FEES TO APPEAR

Not so very long ago five athletes were travelling together in a train from Scotland to a town in the North-East of England. Four of them were Americans, the fifth British.

Not unnaturally the conversation chiefly concerned itself with the branches of the sport which they all practised in different ways.

The Americans were discussing how much each of them got in

their own country as "appearance money." One of them was a well-known sprinter, specialising mostly on the indoor wooden tracks which are used in the U.S. during the winter season.

He admitted freely that when appearing in a big stadium like Madison Square Garden, New York, he would not appear until he got 500 dollars (just under £100). Two of the other Americans, one of whom once held a British all-comers' record, confirmed that their "fees" were roughly similar.

FIRST, A DENIAL

The fourth American said nothing until his compatriots began to bait him about his "popularity rating."

First he denied receiving anything, but finally he confessed

that he was only a "two hundred dollar man" (about £40). His reluctance to talk had not been caused by any "Simon Pure" principles but simply because his cash value was so much lower than the others.

They, in turn, berated him soundly. His was one of the most spectacular events and he was in the world championship class. Clearly, they pointed out, the organisers of the big meets had made a sucker out of him.

Now before you condemn this bunch of youngsters as a group of unprincipled money-grubbing phonies, remember the old adage that when money comes through the turnstiles, amateurism flies out of the arena.

All these youths knew that their skills would add thousands of dollars to the "take" at the gate.

To stay on the top they had to put in weeks and months of arduous practice.

Indeed, sport for them had become a full-time business. And in most cases it presented the only chance of a future career—either as coaches or as the representatives of one of the big sports manufacturing firms.

Once more big sport has become big business.

SPUR OF NECESSITY

In the meantime, through all the talk in the railway compartment, the unfortunate British representative was sitting num-chance. He, too, had experienced the spur of economic necessity, but he was ashamed to admit what little returns he had received for his endeavours.

"Once," he told me, "I did get £200 for appearing at a really big meeting, but the normal payment for an outstanding athlete is something like £10 or £15, and the most any British performer could hope to make in a season is £500—I have never made that."

Contrast that with the ten thousand dollars (roughly £2,000) which was paid to one of the most famous Empire athletes, an Olympic gold medalist, who has done a lot of his running in the States.

"I didn't like to say what I'd received. The others would have thought I was no better than an amateur!"

You may still cherish the idea that amateurism is a more select form of athletic endeavour than professionalism—after all, that's your right, it's a free country. But, unfortunately, it's strictly a one-way arrangement. This eleven Commandment. "Thou shalt not be paid."

STOCK ANSWER

Some of the officials, although drawing no stipend, do very much better than all right by activities for which they would never have qualified had it not been for their official athletic positions.

The stock answer to these criticisms is that nobody forces anybody to run, or jump, or throw on track or in field, but this is a sterile point of view.

Every time the Olympic, the European, or the Empire Games come round once more, our athletes are rightly regarded as being potentially the best ambassadors we have. But for a variety of reasons they start with a ball-and-chain handicap against the chosen representatives of many other nations.

In America there are "athletic scholarships" whereby the most promising high school youngsters are guaranteed an opportunity to develop their talents at various universities under the most expert tuition in the world. America's successes speak for themselves.

GOVERNMENT JOB

On the Continent the athlete who may be expected to bring credit and international prestige to his country is normally regarded as a Government job—something in the Civil Service, for instance—where his attendance at his place of work is nothing like so important as his performance in the arena.

Until we ever here realise the changed economic circumstances of our age, so that "broken time" payments are authorised, whereby a man in a job does not sacrifice his wages when he goes to represent his club or country overseas, we shall never realise the full potential of our athletic ability.

(London Express Service)

HOSPITALS CUP

London, Feb. 24. Westminster Hospital beat Middlesex Hospital 16-0 in the second round of the Hospitals Cup competition today. —Reuter.

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH



Arthur Morris, Ian Craig, Ron Archer and South African Hedley Keith at Melbourne discussing the Fifth Test Match, which the South Africans won to draw the series.



Hassett turns Fuller to leg for four, with 'keeper Waite unsuccessful in stopping it.



The Australian captain, Lindsey Hassett, is smartly run out by a throw-in by Endean after having scored 40 in Australia's first innings in the final test match against South Africa at Melbourne. —Central Press Photos.

George Whiting's Column

The International Middleweight Situation Becomes Confusion Worse Confounded

London.

Paddy Young, 24-year-old New York middleweight, is named as Randolph Turpin's over-weight opponent at Earls Court on March 17—probably our Champion's last pipe-opener to his world title fight at the White City on June 9.

And so the international middleweight situation becomes confusion worse confounded—for, only a short time ago, we were told that this same Young was to meet a fellow American, Ernie Durando, at Madison Square Garden.

Promoter Jack Solomons, home after high words in New York with Harry Markson, of the International Boxing Club in that city, contributed this to the transatlantic sniping:

"If Markson wants me to release Young from his proposed fight with Turpin, then he will have to ask me and I will consider it. It is remarkable that Young has not fought for the IBC for a year and yet when the club knew that I had signed Young, they began wanting him for an eliminator shortly after my show."

WEIGHT WORRY

Young or no Young, Turpin, to whom two pounds of non-fat solid flesh have been applied

ing a footbrake recently—will take care not to weigh more than 11st 7lb. at Earls Court. That is: one pound above the championship limit.

Twice recently Turpin has permitted himself to "swell" to 11st 9lb. But, having outpointed South Africa's Duggie Miller at that weight at Leicester, he has decided not to repeat an experiment that put lead in his boots.

From now on there are to be fewer cups of tea, and a sharper training schedule down to 11st 7lb.—regardless of the weight at which the match is made.

From these resolutions we are entitled to conclude that Turpin is not entirely satisfied with his form against the

gallant never-say-die Miller—and there is no more intelligent critic of Turpin's form than Randolph Turpin.

Reynolds and Mantle Agree To Terms

St. Petersburg, Florida, Feb. 24.

The New York Yankees announced today that pitcher Alvin Reynolds and outfielder Mickey Mantle had agreed to baseball contract terms for the 1953 season.

Reports were that Reynolds will draw \$30,000 for the year and young Mantle will get \$12,000. —Associated Press.

Lt.-Col. Stevenson Wins Services' Golf Championship

By kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club a very enjoyable Combined Services Golf Meeting was held at Fanling on February 18 and 19.

Owing to the fact that several competitors were unable to attend on both days, the prizes were presented on the evening of the day on which they had been competed for; on Wednesday Lt Col W.A. Stevenson, DSO, Golf President of the Army in Hongkong, addressed the assembled competitors in the Club House at Fanling and then called upon Mr Cleland, the Club Captain, to present the prizes to the first day's winners.

On Thursday the prizes were presented by Squadron Leader P.L. Arnott, DFC, when the opportunity was taken to offer the best wishes of all Services golfers in the Colony to Sgt Ldr Arnott, who is leaving the Colony in the near future.

PRIZE WINNERS

Prize winners were as follows: Combined Services Championship—Lt Col W.A. Stevenson D.S.O.; Royal Navy Championship—Lt. Lieut J.G. Arthur; Army Championship—Lt Col W.A. Stevenson D.S.O.; Royal Air Force Championship—Sgt Ldr P.L. Arnott D.F.C.; Winner Scratch Score Old Course—Col N.B. Styles; Score New Course—Lt Col W.A. Stevenson D.S.O.; Winner Hole Score Old Course—Lt Col J.D. Adams; Winner Hole Score New Course—Capt. H. Burt M.C.; Winner Stableford—Sgt Ldr Grahame D.F.C.; F.I. 1st Round—Lt Col P.H. Carey; Lt Col R.M. Brydges.

FANLING GOLF

The following are the results of matches in the Third Round of the Hongkong Golf Club Mixed Foursomes Competition at Fanling:

Mr & Mrs J.G. Dymington lost to Dr & Mrs J.B. Mackie 3/2; Mr & Mrs J. Robertson lost to Mr & Mrs H.P. Moodie 3/2; Mr & Mrs Mitchell beat Mr & Mrs C.H. Liang 2/1; Mr & Mrs N. Brown lost to J.R. Leitch & Mrs Urquhart 0/8; Capt. Green & Miss Mirams beat Mr & Mrs W. Storer 2/1; Mr & Mrs J.D. Clague beat Mr & Mrs J. Wal 2/1; Mr & Mrs N.E. Arthur lost to Mr & Mrs H. Brydges 0/8; Mr & Mrs J.C. Brown lost to Mr & Mrs H.K. Collins 0/8.

The following are the matches in the Fourth Round which should be played on or before March 8:

Dr & Mrs J.B. Mackie v Mr & Mrs H. Burt; Mr & Mrs Mitchell v Mr & Mrs C.H. Liang; Capt. Green & Miss Mirams v Mr & Mrs W. Storer; Mr & Mrs J.D. Clague v Mr & Mrs J. Wal; Mr & Mrs N.E. Arthur v Mr & Mrs H. Brydges; Mr & Mrs H.K. Collins v Mr & Mrs J.C. Brown.

BOGEY POOLS

Captain I.A.G. "Wolkington" won the competition against Bogey played during the week-end at Fanling with a score of "all square." Messrs W.S. Vaughan and T.F.R. Waters were joint Runners-up with "one down."

The winners of the "Shanghai Mixed Foursomes" competition against Bogey were Mr & Mrs S.S. Gordon, who returned a card showing "all square." Runners-up were Mr & Mrs H. Small.

MAX FAULKNER'S VISIT

Max Faulkner, former British Open Champion, and holder of the Spanish "Open" title is expected to arrive in the Colony on March 6 and remain here until early morning on March 11.

Matches against local sides will be arranged for March 7 and 8 at Fanling and it is anticipated that he will be available for giving lessons to Club members on Monday and Tuesday.

Max Faulkner, with a points average of 9, tied with Arthur Lees for second place for the Professional Golfers Association "Order of Merit" title, 1932 Season; the winner was Harry Weetman with a points average of 8.77 from nine tournaments. Stroke average for 1932 was being Arthur Lees—71.2; Harry Weetman—71.34; Max Faulkner—71.65. He was beaten in the Professionals Match Play Championship by "Tony" Hamman who had previously beaten Dal Ross (four times winner) by one hole.

"Maxie" finished third in the Master's Golf Tournament last year with scores of 74—73—71 and 69 = 287.

Harry Weetman was the winner with 71—72—68—72 = 281.

Max Faulkner is a very popular professional golfer and much interest is being shown in the forthcoming visit.

HOLE-IN-ONE

Captain R. Fildes holed his Tee shot at the 3rd Hole on the Deep Water Bay Course on Sunday, the event being suitably celebrated in the Club House.

Mrs Hall Defines Rugby

Here for your edification is a feminine, non-technical description of rugby football:

"Rugby is just men—throwing their all into combat—men, men and plims of beer, which they sorely need, poor dears, after the game."

"Their wives and women friends sometimes take half-plims—and learn to keep out of the way when they are not wanted."

Authoress of this not inapt definition is Mrs "Nim" Hall, young wife of the man who, quite exceptionally, has retained the England captaincy while at



MRS "NIM" HALL

— Wife on the touchline.

the same time changing his position from stand-off half to full-back. I heard her with respect talking of her husband's football.

Mrs Hall, widow of a naval officer until she remarried 10 months ago, works in a city insurance office, but still manages to see as much rugby as most women.

Pretty well everywhere her husband plays she can be seen, and heard, encouraging his side from as near the touchline as she can approach.

HER TRAVELS

This year she has travelled to various places between Worthington in the far North-west and Exeter and Penryn in the far South-west.

Rugby men say that his present brilliance owes more than a little to his wife's encouragement.

I asked Mrs Hall for views about her husband's change over to full-back. "Maybe," she said, "the selectors felt he was getting rather long in the tooth for stand-off. He is 28. I don't think that as yet he is as good a full-back as half-back. But give him time to settle in the new position."

"What I do know is that my husband is so fond of his rugby that it will give him up before he gives it up."

I fear I slumped in her estimation when I mentioned that I preferred soccer. She made the point that the difference between the games is in their atmosphere.

THE SOCIAL SIDE

"Why, at rugby you never hear of a player running to a referee 'this-hearing' about an opponent. In rugby men take it—and may be give it as well—but only for 80 minutes. Then it's all forgotten in the social side of the game."

"I'm Scottish, you know," she continued, "and before I became engaged to Nim, I used to follow London Scottish—and played in internationals. Since then I've had to change allegiance. The result is lots of leg-pulling."

"It's a bit embarrassing. After the Scottish match last year one of my friends told me that my husband would not play the same he did if he had a Scottish wife. Which was absurd, you know."

—Bruce Harris

(London Express Service)



The Grown-up Golf Caddie Is Dying Out

By HENRY LONGHURST

London. All over the country the grown-up golf caddie is dying out, partly perhaps from natural causes, largely because people no longer have either the wherewithal to pay him £1 a day or the nerve to ask him to do it for less. His departure robs the game of both colour and convenience.

No one who has ever had a caddie relishes carrying his own clubs, even in a tube-like little canvas container rescued from the attic. Nor are these ridiculous, if utilitarian, perambulators a true substitute. Yet the answer is, and to me always has been, plain. It is—boys.

What better job for a boy at week-ends and in the holidays than carrying golf clubs for his elders and betters? Fresh air and exercise instead of fun fairs and films, grown up company, curious conversation and even carouser language; all this and, say, five bob a round.

This used to be the pattern at home (except the five bob—J. H. Taylor started at 6d., less 3d. fine if they lost a ball) and it is still the pattern in the United States. Of their last thirty-odd open championships all but Jones and Little started by caddying. Now they have a number of "caddie scholarships" by which a bright boy may earn a course at the university.

LOSING FACE

This does not happen over here—but it should. Perhaps it is because the modern boy is, as Mr. Harding has declared, "pint-sized and spoon-fed," though I do not share that belief. In America he certainly is not, and it has now come to it that boys will not go out unless they carry two bags, thus earning double fees. Furthermore each bag probably weighs about a hundredweight and they still ask for two. I remember how a boy in Buffalo, N.Y., almost declined to carry the bag of Chick Evans, a past Open Champion and founder of the Caddie Scholarship, in memory of his own caddie days, because it only had seven clubs in it. He felt he was losing face with the other boys, who each had a couple of cabin trunks.

Now, at last, someone is going to start caddying on their own here—Mr. Lou Freedman, who is the presiding genius at Coombe Hill. With

Colony Tennis Championships

Schoolboys took ten honours in yesterday's Colony Open Tennis Championships matches which were played off at the Hongkong Cricket Club.

F.K.L. Ma, of St. Paul's Co-Ed, who is the present Schoolboy Singles champion, accounted for veteran Lee Wai-long by 7-5, 6-7. Playing an excellent steady game throughout, Ma was not in the least perturbed by the reputation of his opponent. Relying mainly on ground strokes, he overcame Lee, who was apparently still feeling the effects of his strenuous game against J.R.L. Cook on Sunday.

The other schoolboy to emerge triumphant was Wong Chan-fai of Wah Yan who defeated A. V. Szeto in a replayed second round match which was left unfinished on Monday owing to fading light with the score standing at 6-7 in favour of Szeto.

Displaying strong forehand and backhand drives and relying more on clever placements than speed, E. Soubelle, former French champion, triumphed over T.T. Kuo 6-3, 6-4.

Lee Lit-chun was very much off form in his match against V.T. Wang. Over-driving and repeatedly netting volleys, he was beaten 6-2, 1-6.

Tau Yun-pui proved too good for Roch Liang, who is noted for his powers of retrieving, and won by 6-2, 6-2.

L.T. Wade, who played an erratic game, was done by 7-5, 2-6, to J.D. Mackie, while P.T. Holmes defeated Lu Po-hav 6-2, 6-2.

Results in brief: P.T. Holmes beat Lu Po-hav 6-2, 6-2; J.D. Mackie beat L.T. Wade 7-5, 2-6; R. Liang lost to Tau Yun-pui 2-6, 4-6; E. Soubelle beat T.T. Kuo 6-3, 6-4; V.T. Wang beat Lee Lit-chun 6-0, 6-1; F.K.L. Ma beat Lee Wai-long 7-5, 6-4; A.V. Szeto beat Wong Chan-fai 1-6, 6-2, 6-0 (replayed match).

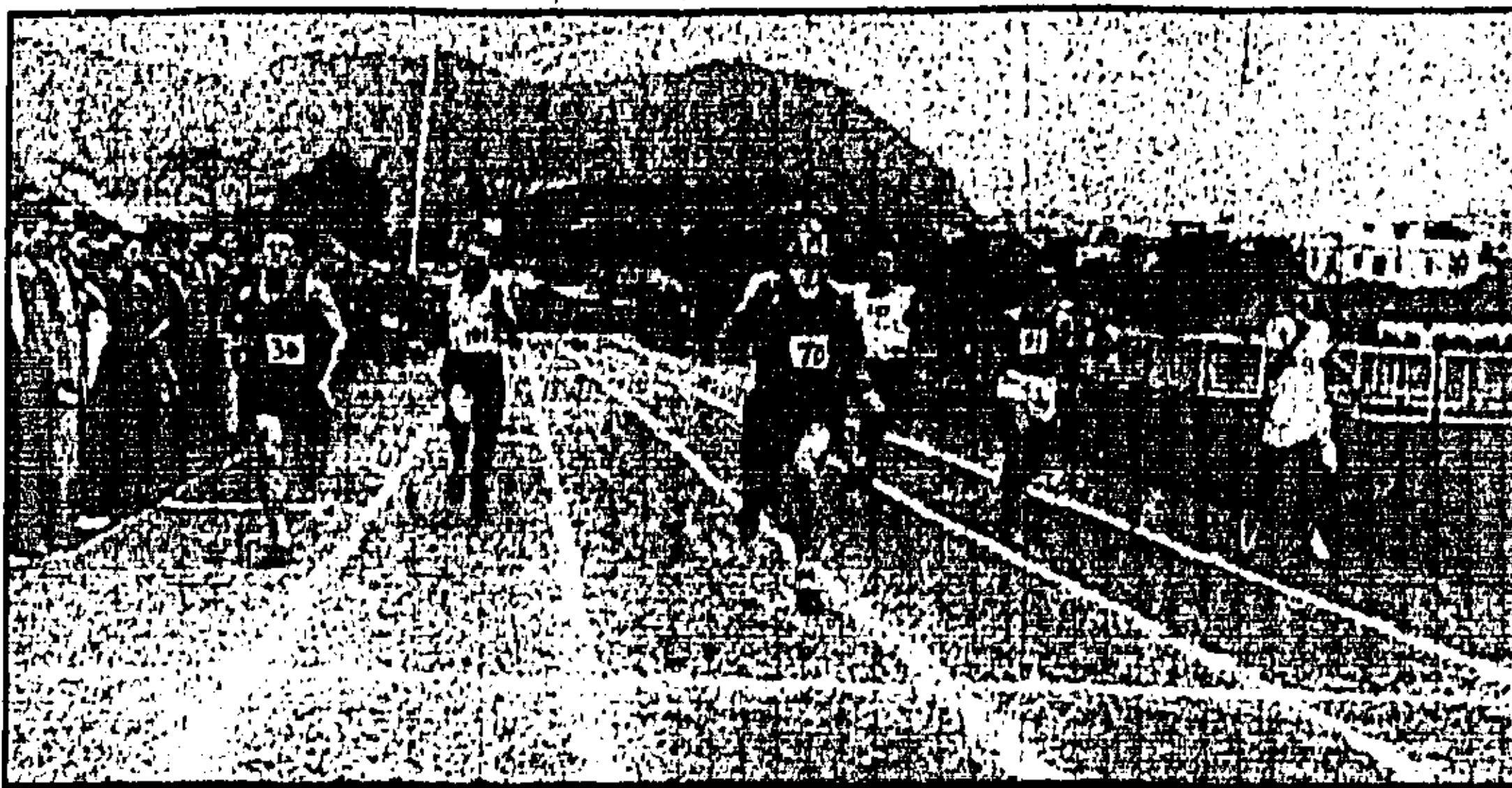
14-Year-Old Boy Breaks Australian Swimming Record

Sydney, Feb. 24.

A 14-year-old New South Wales boy, Gary Chapman, today smashed the Australian Quarter Mile Free Style swimming record by 2.0 seconds when he clocked 4 minutes 42.6 seconds to win the national title here.

The former record was held by a member of the Australian Olympic team, Garrick Agnew. Sid Grange, the Australian Olympic Swimming Manager at the Helsinki Games, said that Chapman's time would have placed him sixth in the final of the last Olympic games' 400 Metres event.—France-Press.

FAREWELL APPEARANCE



Quentin Almqvist winning the Quadrangular 100 Yards Dash at Boundary Street on Sunday in 10.4 seconds, ahead of Kirk and Wong Man-wan.

Quentin, who was third in the 100 Metres at the last Colony Championships to Stephen Xavier and Wong Man-wan and fifth in the 200 Metres, is leaving on Saturday for New Zealand where he is enrolled at Victoria University College at Wellington.

His 100 Yards in 10.1 seconds at King George V School in 1951 is still the fastest postwar mark for this distance, ahead of Xavier's 10.2 seconds at Boundary Street last year.

In the picture are — from left to right — Crane, Norris, Almqvist, Perdue, Kirk (second) and Wong Man-wan (third).

The picture clearly demonstrates how much can happen in the last few yards. At this stage Almqvist is still about two to three yards from the tape with Crane nearest to him and Kirk lying fifth. Kirk finished second and Crane fifth.—China Mail Photo.

The Odds On Arsenal's Cup And League "Double" Are Cramped

Says ARCHIE QUICK

Arsenal, drawn at home again for the Sixth Round, were quoted at the latest Victoria Club call-over at two to one against favourites for the Cup, and were at one hundred to six for the Cup and League "double."

Both odds are cramped. In the Cup quarter-finals there are still eight "runners," and five of them are First Division sides. As for the League, Arsenal still have seventeen matches to play in ten weeks.

Thus their total commitment, exclusive of replays and allowing for them getting to Wembley would be twenty games in half that number of weeks! The strain would surely be too much. The Cup for them, maybe, but the possibility of a League triumph is remote, to say the least.

True, they have not got to go a-visiting again in the Cup—unless they draw their Sixth Round tie—for after that, the Semi-Final and Final are on neutral grounds, but study their League programme.

On Saturdays they have to play Blackpool, Wednesday, Newcastle, Middlesbrough, Chelsea, Manchester City and Preston—North End, all away from home. They have to meet Cardiff, West Bromwich, Stoke and Burnley at home.

Then there are four midweek games against Derby, Preston and Bolton at home and Cardiff away, in addition to the Easter programme of three matches in four days!

How can a team survive that fixture list, and pay attention to Cup quarter-finals, semi-finals, and Final? Should Arsenal fight their way to Wembley their Saturday games with West Bromwich and Burnley at High-bury will become additional midweek games, making eight in all.

—(London Express Service)

Draw For The Schoolgirls' Badminton Championships

The draw for the Colony Schoolgirls' and Mixed Doubles Badminton Championships, which will be run together with the schoolboys' events by the Hongkong Schools Sports Association during the coming few weeks, was made yesterday.

Due to lack of entries, the Junior Girls' Singles and Doubles events had to be inadvertently cancelled.

The draw is: Schoolgirls' Senior Singles Top Half: Mary Wong (FC) v. Yung Toong-ling (SSGC); Sylvia Garcia (SM) v. Wong Shiu-kwan (SPC); Lily Man (SM) v. Tsang Wing-hing (SFC); C. Baptista (FC) v. Tong Shue-chung (SSGC).

Lower Half: Winnie Chan (SM) v. Carmorel Choy (SM); Ip Hung-sang (SSGC) v. May Wong (FC); Valerie Fernandez (SM) v. Shirley Cheng (Maryknoll); Lily Chan (SM) v. Norma Chan (FC).

Schoolgirls' Senior Doubles Top Half: Evelyn Alurco & Frances Silva (SM) v. Mary Wong & May Wong (FC); Winnie Chan & Lily Man (SM) v. Sylvia Garcia & Millie Wat (SM).

Lower Half: M. C. Basto & A. Colaco (SM) v. Wong Shiu-kwan & Lo Suet-fa (SFC); C. Baptista & Norma Chan (FC) v. Joyce Osmund & Valerie Fernandez (SM).

Mixed Doubles Top Half: M. C. Basto & E. Marquez-lim v. R. Carvalho & E. Basto; May Wong & Sui Chuen v. A. Sales & G. McDougall.

Lower Half: Miriam Tong & U. Sel-ching v. Ting Yam & Emily So; Ko Wai-bong & Mary Wong (BYO).

Reserves—Gibbs, Daniels, Rebecca Alderton.

The teams chosen by Minto and R. G. Craig are:

Minto's XV—Bleakley, Runcie, Watson, Turville, Lorton, R. Roberts, G. Arnold, Robertson, P. Porter, P. Minto, Douglas, Lambert, Cowley, Russell.

R. G. Craig's XV—Craig, Cole, Sheridan, Gorrard, Dieder, son, Blackwood, Flaxman, Dilworth, Shaffer, Talamo, Jankin, de Kono, Farquharson, Robert.

Reserves—Gibbs, Daniels, Rebecca Alderton.

LOYAL SUPPORTER

Plymouth Argyle have no great reputation as Cup fighters at their own Home Park. In fact, they have won only one tie before their home spectators in 21 years! Apart from their success against Crewe Alexandra two seasons ago, Plymouth have lost five ties at Home Park and drawn two others since 1932—

and their latest effort was an ignominious exit at the hands of Peterborough of Northern Section Gateshead.

But there is at least one supporter who has remained loyal to them through all these vicissitudes — ex-Alderman Albert Webb, J.P. This Devonshire gentleman, 92 years young, actually saw the first Cup tie ever played at Home Park over 50 years ago—and he has missed very few since.

He recalls that Argyle have been knocked out at the first

round in 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025.

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a son.

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at the Jewish Recreation Club

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at 6.00 p.m.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m.s. "HAINAN"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will

be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &

Douglas at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m.

on February 25, 1953, and consignees

requested to have their repre-

sentatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

MAERSK LINE

m/v "NICOLINE MAERSK"

having arrived from New York and

parts of call, Consignees of Cargo

are hereby notified that their goods

are being landed and placed at their

risk and expense into the Godowns

& Kowloon Wharf & Godown Com-

pany's godowns at Kowloon, where

delivery may be obtained as soon as

the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed

here, unless notice has been given

prior to vessel's arrival, but

carried on from port to port to

the final port of call to which the

option extends.

No claims will be admitted after

the goods have left the Godowns

and all goods remaining undelivered

after the 1st March, 1953, will be

subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

goods are to be left in the Godowns

where they will be examined on

25th February, 1953, at 10 a.m.

by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard

& Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded

Warehouse Regulations consignees

must have a Revenue Officer in at-

tendance when damaged dutiable

goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before

the 22nd March, 1953, or they will

not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

JENSEN & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per

BARDER-WILHELMSEN LINE

m.s. "TALLEYRAND"

are hereby notified that their cargo

is being discharged into the Hong-

kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown

Company's godowns where it will be at

consignees' risk and subject to the

Wharf's terms and conditions of

storage and where delivery may be

obtained as soon as the goods are

landed.

Damaged packages are to be left

in the Godowns for examination by

Consignees and the Company's sur-

veyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas

at 10 a.m. on the 27th February,

1953.

To comply with the General Bonded

Warehouse Regulations Con-

signees must have a Revenue Officer

in attendance when damaged duti-

able goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after

the goods have left the steamer's

godown, and all goods remaining

undelivered after 3rd March, 1953,

will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer

must be presented to the under-

signed on or before 23rd March, 1953,

or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CIE DES MESSAGERIES

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Consignees per Company's

m.v. "LA MARSEILLAISE"

are hereby notified that their cargo

is being discharged into the Hong-

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"FELIX ROUSSEL" 20 Mar. 20-22 Apr. Manila
Homewards: "LA MARSEILLAISE" 7-8 Mar. 3 Apr. Saigon
"FELIX ROUSSEL" 22 Apr. 23 May Saigon
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via Djibouti to Madagascar.

FREIGHT SERVICE

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Homewards: "MEINAM" 10 Mar. 12-13 Mar. Japan
"FRY HILL" 10 Mar. 12-13 Mar. Japan
"COURTESY" 10 Mar. 12-13 Mar. Japan
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Arrives Mar. 4 from Japan.
Sails Mar. 5 for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Madras, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Kharram-shahr, Basrah & Bahrain.

"THAI"

Arrives Mar. 7 from Singapore.
Sails Mar. 8 for Kobe & Yokohama.

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The Rubber Markets

Singapore, Feb. 24.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, per lb.
March 20 1/2-20 3/4
April 20 1/2-20 3/4
May 20 1/2-20 3/4
June 20 1/2-20 3/4
Number 2 rubber, March 19 1/2-19 3/4
Number 3 rubber, March 19 1/2-19 3/4
Number 4 rubber, March 19 1/2-19 3/4
Spot rubber, unbleached 19 1/2-19 3/4
Blanket crepe 19 1/2-19 3/4
No. 1 pale crepe 19 1/2-19 3/4
—United Press.

LONDON MARKET

London, Feb. 24.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, per lb.
March 22 1/2-23 1/4
April 22 1/2-23 1/4
May 22 1/2-23 1/4
June 22 1/2-23 1/4
Number 2 rubber, March 21 1/2-22 1/4
Number 3 rubber, March 21 1/2-22 1/4
Number 4 rubber, March 21 1/2-22 1/4
Spot rubber, unbleached 21 1/2-22 1/4
Blanket crepe 21 1/2-22 1/4
No. 1 pale crepe 21 1/2-22 1/4
—United Press.

NEW YORK MARKET

New York, Feb. 24.
Prices of rubber futures closed today 10 to 15 points lower with sales totalling 61 contracts.

March 27.40 bid
May 26.10 nominal
July 25.10 nominal
September 24.10 nominal
November 23.10 nominal
December 22.10 nominal
Spot 27.00 nominal
—United Press.

SEARCH FOR OIL

Cairo, Feb. 24.
The British-owned Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields Ltd. hopes to resume its search for oil deposits in Egypt as a result of a new mining law announced here, a company spokesman said today.

The new law is aimed at encouraging foreign investment.

The spokesman said: "In conjunction with other measures which it is hoped will shortly be taken, it will enable the company to investigate areas for which we have applied for prospecting licences some time ago."—Reuter.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$346,562.75. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS
HSBC Bank XD 1500 1370 50 @ 1300
East Asia 145 75 @ 145

INSURANCE
Union 520 705
Underwriters 520 705

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Waterboat 13.10
DOCKS, ETC.
N. Wharf 20 1/2
K. Wharf 20 1/2
N. Pt. Wharf 6.30 6.40
Dock 19.20 20
Provident 12.50

Shal' Dock 11.40
Wharfedale 7 1/2 2000 @ 7 1/2
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HSBC Hotel 7.60 54 100 @ 54
HSBC Land (N) 53 35 @ 52 1/2
HSBC Land (S) 14 500 @ 13.50

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Humphreys 14 500 @ 13.50
UTL 11.25
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Japanese Application For Admission To GATT Presents Big Problem

(By Ronald Boxall)

London.

Japan's application for admission to GATT has confronted members of that post-war "tariff club" with their first major problem.

Their difficulty arises out of the basic principles underlying GATT (the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade). Briefly, these are concerned with the prevention of discrimination in world trade and the attainment of conditions under which goods can flow from one country to another with a minimum of interference from tariffs or other artificial barriers to trade.

This ideal is embodied in the first article of the Agreement which requires that tariff concessions granted by one member to another shall be unconditionally accorded to all the others.

This famous "most-favoured-nation" clause is the very foundation of GATT. And it is also the cause of present fears regarding Japan's application for admission.

Hitherto, the "tariff club" has not had to deal with the new membership of a major trading country. Those countries admitted after GATT came into operation in 1948 have played relatively minor roles in world trade, and their accession therefore did not cause concern. But Japan's application is in an entirely different category.

Her factories account for a considerable proportion of the goods entering world trade, and her exports of engineering goods are likely to play an increasingly important part in this trade in future. The problem, however, is not only the volume but the price of Japanese exports. This is well below the price of similar goods produced elsewhere in the world.

The difficulty that was foreseen when Japan made formal application to join GATT was that members would be compelled, under existing rules, to treat her equally with all others. Thus the tariff concessions negotiated bilaterally since 1947 and unconditionally extended to all members would automatically apply to Japan.

But, as was pointed out when Japan's application was made, these concessions were made on the basis of known production costs in countries which were members of GATT at the time the tariff talks were held. Had Japan been entitled to benefit from them, many countries would certainly not have been so generous in granting tariff reductions.

A SURPRISE

Having failed in the initial postal ballot, Japan's application came up for consideration at the last session of GATT last September. The arguments outlined above were put formally by certain delegates—notably the British and the whole matter was then referred to a special "inter-session" committee.

That committee has now reported, and the solution it suggests falls well short of the sweeping changes in GATT rules that many people believed to be necessary before Japan could be admitted. In fact, the committee has proposed only one minor change in the rules—to enable members whose economies are damaged by a flood of cheap Japanese imports to take corrective action on their own initiative.

GATT delays longer than 30 days in suggesting alternative arrangements. The committee considered a proposal that Article 19 of the Agreement, providing for "emergency action in circumstances causing or threatening serious injury," should be amended.

As it stands, this Article is non-discriminatory in action. In other words, if a tariff concession is withdrawn from one member it must also be withdrawn from the others. It was felt by certain countries that this ruling could be changed to enable the Article to be invoked against a particular country—Japan—without harming others unnecessarily.

A SAFEGUARD

This suggestion was turned down by the committee on the ground that "if additional safeguards were found necessary to meet special difficulties, these should be of general application so that Japan would be in a position to concede to GATT with the same rights and obligations as any other contracting party."

In the event, the committee decided that members' interests would be sufficiently safeguarded if Article 23 were amended to speed up the process by which an injured party can seek to defend itself against undue foreign competition to its home market.

Under this Article, a member can place itself in the hands of GATT—that is, in the hands of other members—if a "sudden flooding" of its home market threatens to produce "violent" disruption of trading conditions with serious adverse repercussions for large sectors of production. In these circumstances, GATT may relieve an injured party from its obligations. But it was recognized that in such an "emergency" much might depend on quick action. Therefore, the committee proposed that

Article 23 should be amended to enable a member to take unilateral action if GATT delayed its decision longer than 30 days.

Given this additional safeguard, most countries will probably now accept Japanese membership. But for some of them this will still entail a leap in the dark. They stand to lose heavily if cheap Japanese goods are given equal rights in their chief export markets—which, for Britain, means the Commonwealth.

NEXT STAGE

The committee foresaw this difficulty, but pointed out that the necessary adjustments following Japan's accession to GATT on terms of full equality would be more easily made under conditions of expanding world trade.

And this expansion, it added, would be facilitated by a further general lowering of tariffs, involving appropriate contributions from major trading countries.

The committee's proposals will now be considered by the governments of member countries. The next stage will be to call a full session of GATT at which a vote will be taken to decide whether Japan shall be admitted. A two-thirds majority is needed to secure admission.

Japan's membership will not become effective, however, until she has negotiated tariff concessions with other contracting parties. It is felt by some countries that this should be delayed until another general tariff conference—such as those held at Geneva in 1947, Annecy in 1949, and Torquay in 1950—can be arranged.

In any case, it is pointed out, all existing tariff concessions are due to come up for review early next year, and some members would like to combine this review with a general tariff conference including Japan.

MAY WITHHOLD

Finally, it should be noted that members may withhold the Agreement or application of its own tariff schedule from another contracting party simply by refusing to enter into tariff negotiations with it at the time of its accession. This rule, embodied in Article 35 of GATT, has already been invoked by Pakistan and India against South Africa.

Moreover, even if tariff negotiations have been held, a country can still take discriminatory action against another member if it can show that such action is necessary to safeguard its balance of payments.

But import quotas and other restrictions imposed for this purpose must be progressively relaxed as the balance of payments position improves and eliminated altogether when conditions no longer justify their use.

A favourable vote by a full session of GATT does not necessarily imply therefore that Japan will automatically be granted "most-favoured-nation" treatment by all members. And, even if it is discriminatory action, it may still be taken against it if its trade with another member tends to be so one-sided that serious balance of payments problems arise.

PRESS COMMENT

Leading British newspapers react mildly to the proximity of Japan's entry into GATT announced from Geneva. The "Times," concerning itself with the question of safeguards, states: "It is generally agreed, however, that any safeguards which might be introduced into GATT before Japan's accession should not be aimed at Japan individually."

"Nothing could be more quickly fatal to the whole agreement than an attempt to create a special category of suspect or second-class members, particularly if the initial discrimination were to be practised against one of the principal trading nations of the world." "Unfortunately, the only alternative is to extend still further the escape clauses of an agreement in which already the escape clauses rather than the binding obligations dominate."

The conservative Daily Telegraph focuses its comment on the proposal that a country wishing to take discriminatory action against another should be guilty of unfair practices, can do so on its own initiative if the contracting parties to the Agreement do not make any decision within 60 days.

The Daily Telegraph adds: "This proposal has plainly been designed with Japan alone in mind. If it is generally applied GATT will be as dead as Queen Anne."

After commenting that "the spectre of Japanese competition is alarming," it goes on to conclude: "It is tempting to regard all Japanese competition as unfair. This is far too sweeping. 'Absolutely unfair' is the practice of selling goods whose origin or composition are other than they purport to be (before the war one could buy in the Far East a Japanese beverage labelled 'King Victoria' Scotch Whisky, made only from the 'neat grapes') 'selective action' to check such abuses, and the infringement of patents is long overdue."

"But there is nothing unfair in Japan's reaping benefit from her lower wages costs. The only real answer to fair Japanese competition is strenuous British competition."

Cotton Prices In America

New York, Feb. 24.
Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot	24.05 nominal
March	23.18
April	23.20-23.40
May	23.20-23.71
June	23.70
July	23.70-23.82
October	23.82-23.82
December	23.82-23.82
March	24.01 nominal
May	24.02
July	24.02-24.02
October	24.02
December	24.02

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Spot 32.90
March 32.90-33.24
May 33.24-33.73
July 33.73-33.73
October 33.73-33.73
December 33.73-33.73
March 34.04 bid
May 34.07 bid
July 34.07 bid
—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Feb. 24.
World sugar futures closed today 1 to 1 1/2 lower with sales totalling 157 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed unchanged to 2 lower with sales totalling 93 contracts.
Contract No. 4 (world) 3.42 bid
May 3.42 bid
July 3.43
September 3.43 bid
October 3.46 nominal
January 3.65
March 3.41
May 3.42
Spot 3.44
Contract No. 5 3.68 bid
July 3.68 nominal
September 3.50 nominal
November 3.50 nominal
March 3.50 nominal
Spot 3.50
—United Press.

Trade Pact Prospects

Karachi, Feb. 24.
Sources here speculated today that a new trade agreement between Pakistan and India is near following the sudden departure for Tokyo of the Japanese negotiator.

The chief previous hitch to agreement has been Japanese indifference to offerings of Pakistan raw cotton and lack of Pakistan interest in purchasing Japanese cloth.

The Japanese envoy left Karachi on Sunday to report to his Government on his talks here last week. — Associated Press.

JAPANESE BONDS

London, Feb. 24.
Japanese bonds: "A" (4.5% of 1960) 84 1/2
"B" (4.5% of 1961) 73 1/2
"C" (4.5% of 1967) 120
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"TASMAN"	Mar. 9	Singapore, Penang, Belawan, Deli & Mauritius	
"TIJLUWAI"	Mar. 16	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TIJADANE"	Mar. 17	Japan	
"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Mar. 17	Manila, Atiri, Singapore, Djakarta, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America	
"TIJAMPER"	Mar. 23	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TEGELBERG"	Mar. 29	Japan	
"TIJWANGI"	Apr. 8	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
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"TIJWANGI"	Apr. 9	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TIJLUWAI"	Apr. 16	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TEGELBERG"	Apr. 22	Singapore, Djakarta, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America	
"TIJWANGI"	Apr. 23	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"RUYS"	Apr. 23	Japan	
"TIJWANGI"	May 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"STRAAT SOENDA"	May 4	Manila, Singapore, S. & S. Africa	
"TIJAMPER"	May 9	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TIJLUWAI"	May 16	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	
"TIJADANE"	May 16	Japan	
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"TIJWANGI"	May 23	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	

ARRIVALS

"TIJWANGI"	Feb. 26	Macassar, Surabaya, Semarang Djakarta & Singapore
"STRAAT SOENDA"	Mar. 1	S. & E. Africa, Mauritius & Singapore
"TIJPONPOK"	Mar. 7	Japan
"TARMAN"	Mar. 7	Japan

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1953.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Charles Was Late

THE cries of Old London, those piping refrains of hawkers that seem in retrospect picturesque, but cannot have been altogether easy to live among, have their equivalent today in the hoarse, urgent calls of the street traders who inhabit the West End.

Old London's hawkers sold goods like lavender and epic ballads and, to judge from prints, went about it in a graceful, leisurely way. Their descendants offer nylon stockings or plaster statuettes, reproductions of famous pictures, imitation pearls or household commodities that are elsewhere in short supply.

And their technique is far from leisurely. It is feverishly brisk; breathless sales talk accompanied by nervous darting glances. For, at any moment, the street-trader may have to shut up his shop-window and warehouse, and bolt from a patrolling policeman intent on arresting him for causing obstruction on the pavement.

DESPITE the second-sight of some street-traders seem to develop, which allows them to sense a policeman's approach though he may not yet be in view (a gift abetted by a system of scouts and spotters), a handful of them are arrested every day.

Each morning, they march one by one into the dock at Great Marlborough Street, plead guilty to the charge against them, and depart, cheerfully or sadly according to the state of trade, to pay fines ranging from 7s. 6d. to 30s. or more, graded to match the amount of obstruction caused.

Street-traders are usually polite in their dock-manner, and punctual in attending court. It was a surprise the other morning, therefore, when, towards the end of business at Marlborough Street, the gaoler showed in one who had failed to appear at the appointed time.

HE was a pleasant-looking young man named Charles, and when he had pleaded guilty, a policeman had told the court the details of his offence. Mr. Walter Frampton, the magistrate, turned to him and said: "Why weren't you here at ten o'clock?"

The question seemed to embarrass Charles, who blushed, tucked his head into the upturned collar of his overcoat, and mumbled: "Er, just sort of muddled with the travelling. Confused me getting here from Barnet, just got married."

THE police officer stepped back into the witness-box. He looked as though he had been waiting for this cue, as if he were delighted to be able to add to Charles's explanation. "It seems, Sir," he said, "that this man got married yesterday afternoon, shortly before he was arrested. I gather that after the wedding he found he was short of money, so he took up his suitcase and went to his pitch."

That was all he said, and it left many questions tantalizingly unanswered. Was it the verger's tip or the registrar's fee Charles had to go out and earn? Was the reception his undoing? Could Charles have said with Coleridge: "The guests are met, the feast is set, and then and anon of it is paid for yet?" And what did his bride do when he went away, and what would his mother-in-law have to say?

THE public gallery pondered these things and tittered, the policeman permitted himself the kind of indulgent smile a best man bestows on a friend just married, and Charles shifted from foot to foot uncomfortably.

"Well, you can't have made much preparation if you were hard up so soon," said Mr. Frampton. "However, in the circumstances, I'll make it a discharge today."

Charles mumbled a few words of thanks, like a bridegroom called upon to speak. They showed him out, and off he went to earn the first week's house-keeping money.

Importance Of Eden's US Visit

Political Career May Be At Stake

London, Feb. 24. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, leaves for the United States on Thursday night on a journey that will take him to the crossroads in Anglo-American relations and in his own career.

Mr. Eden is deeply concerned over prospects of unifying Western Europe. He is under fire from his own Party over Mid-Eastern policy. He is at odds with the American Administration over Britain's policy in the Far East.

Success or failure of his forthcoming Washington mission as well as a diplomatic one will set the tone for relations with the new Eisenhower administration, and it may well be the deciding factor as to whether Mr. Eden ever becomes Prime Minister of Britain.

By the time Mr. Eden reaches Washington on March 4, it may have become clear from the present Rome discussions whether France and Germany can reconcile their differences over joining in the six-nation West European Army, an achievement on which the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, has insisted.

FRENCH DEMANDS

Mr. Eden was known to fear that the French were making demands Germany would not meet—mainly the provision that France can withdraw her troops from the European Army if they are needed elsewhere and linking of the Saar dispute to signing of the EDC pact.

The timing of his visit could be unfortunate if it coincided with American realisation that European unity is a goal that is not going to be achieved.

Mr. Eden also will be putting before President Eisenhower Britain's firm belief that there is little to be gained and much to be lost by a blockade of the Chinese mainland or other extension of the fighting in Asia.

He will also express the belief that the United States is wasting its time trying to negotiate with the little-known Mohammed Mossadeq in Iran.

High sources report that Britain feels that Dr. Mossadeq does not want Iranian oil to flow because Iran does not want to take sides either with Russia or with the West.

GLOBAL POLICY

Combined with these diplomatic hurdles, Mr. Eden will join the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R. A. Butler, in placing before the new American administration the global economic policy worked out at the London Commonwealth conference.

Its slogan is "trade not aid" and it envisions lowering of American tariff barriers, United States investment in Commonwealth enterprises and a commodity stabilisation programme all aimed at preventing the recurring economic crises that have beset Britain since the war.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will keep a close eye on how his protégé makes out. Mr. Churchill is hopeful, despite differences of recession policy, his intimate working partnership with the United States of wartime years.

It is now up to Mr. Eden—United Press.

Alleged Attempt To Murder

Yeung Yuen, alias Fat Fung-yuen, 32, unemployed, residing in a hut in Chiu Ping Street, Kowloon, was this morning charged jointly with Yeung Sing, Chau Sze-choung and Hui Tsai alias Hui Shek-yuen, alias Hui Kwong, with attempting to murder P.C. 622, Leung Yiu-tung, and with assaulting the constable and So Kit-ching, at Granville Road on the night of January 22.

Yeung Yuen was remanded 24 hours in Police custody. Yeung Yuen was additionally charged with possession of arms and ammunition at his residence on January 22. The Police alleged that he had a 45 automatic pistol, seven rounds of 45 ammunition and two magazines.

A QUEEN WITH HER PEOPLE



Wearing a headscarf similar to those worn by the Dutch housewives with whom she talks, Queen Juliana toured the flood-stricken town of Oude Tonge. She has postponed all her engagements not connected with the floods in Holland.—London Express.

British Flood Disaster Fund

Several requests have been received that the Fund should not be closed on February 28 owing to the fact that several events on its behalf are being organised early in March.

In response to these requests it has been decided to keep it open after the advertised closing date. The total donations received up to now on February 28 will be remitted to the Lord Mayor's Fund on Monday, March 2.

A final remittance will be made as soon as the new closing date has been decided.

Previously Acknowledged:

Sterling £307.8.0d.	
Australian £5.	
US\$40.	
Mr. & Mrs. G. Bethell	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. P. E. Cox	50.00
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Mr. & Mrs. M. J. W. Jones	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Jones	50.00
Members of the Sports Club in memory of the late V.R. Schofield	200.00
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Hongkong Detachment, R.E.M.E.	50.00
Inspectorate S.A.R.E.F.	25.00
Katie Archer	25.00
Hongkong Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd.	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. E. March	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Hart	100.00
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Mr. F. W. Hollands	100.00
Sterling £11.0d.	
Mr. F. R. Boyle	25.00
Mr. Leung Fattin	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. K. A. Baker	20.00
Mr. S. Z. Alam	10.00
Far East Motors Ltd.	250.00
Sir Shouson Chow	100.00
Total at 11 a.m. today	HK\$174,066.40
Sterling £313.0d.	
Australian £5.	
US\$40.	

INTELLIGENCE TEST

SOLUTION

SET out the data in tabular form.
Horse owner: Trainer: Rider.
Lachesis: Not D.
From these few facts the table can be completed.
(1) So Atropos belongs to T. (2) Lachesis belongs to D. (3) Lachesis is ridden by D. (4) It follows that the Klingo is D's horse, was ridden by T, and was ridden by D.
Harry rode Atropos.
London Express Service.

KOWLOON PROPERTIES DISPUTE

Court Action By Chinese General

A dispute over certain Kowloon properties which had been mortgaged formed the subject of consolidated actions heard before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, Senior Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court today.

The plaintiff, Chan Yue, alias Chan Yu-hing, merchant of 2 Humphreys Avenue, ground floor, asked that mortgages of premises at 2 Humphreys Avenue and 7 Hart Avenue be declared null and void; for an order that the said mortgages be discharged from the Land Register; and for declarations that the plaintiff is solely entitled in law and equity to the said properties; and for damages for fraud against his father-in-law, Ng Chee-tick, and his brother-in-law, Ng Chi-chuan, both of 2 Humphreys Avenue, first floor.

Chan is represented by the Hon. Leo D'Almeida, Q.C., who opened the case on January 7, and by Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, both instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin.

Defendants on the first count are Henry G. Loong Estates Ltd., of Hongkong Stock Exchange Building, who are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright and Mr. S. V. Gittins, instructed by Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. Charles E. Losby, Q.C., instructed by Stewart and Company, appears for the second and third defendants.

The plaintiff, a Lieutenant-General in the Nationalist Army, and a member of the Nationalist Government, travelled from Formosa to give his evidence. He gave his name as Chan Yu-hing, but said he also used aliases, namely Chan Yue, Chan Fui, Chan To-hao and Yu Hing-long.

He said he married Ng Chee-tick (second defendant) and sister of Ng Chi-chuan (third defendant) in Hankow in 1931. At the time of their marriage, the bride's father's finances were not in a good state, and the plaintiff had had to support him for twenty years. He ceased to do so in 1950 when he discovered the alleged fraud.

\$20,000 PURCHASE

Chan said that in May 1947 he stopped for a day at Hongkong on his way to Canton to take up a Government position. He stayed in his own house, 2 Humphreys Avenue, which he bought in June 1938 through his wife, to whom he gave \$20,000 to make the purchase. At this time his wife spent some weeks in Hongkong in hospital, and she signed his name, Chan Yu-hing, to the documents.

Plaintiff had lived at 2 Humphreys Avenue for seven months in 1940, and his second wife and children were living there now, he said when questioned by his Counsel.

Ng Chee-tick and his wife had lived on the first floor for ten years, and had received the rent from the rest of the house for their own support.

In 1947, he passed through Hongkong, the plaintiff was told about the property at 7 Hart Avenue, and decided to

Delightful Collection Of Essays

"Puffs, Balloons and Smokeballs" by Lawrence Polak, illustrated by Leslie Clarke, published by Justice of the Peace Ltd., Little London, Chichester, England. 137 pages, 10/6.

On reading this collection of 21 essays, many of which reach literary excellence, one cannot but be convinced by the eloquence of a lawyer pleading his case.

Be the subject mere "Puffs, Balloons and Smokeballs" (which is a comment on gross exaggeration in advertising which consequently led to the famous case of the Carbolic Smoke Ball Company) or a current social problem such as "Private Act has been promoted to make exhibition of typism illegal except under license", or be it "Pensions for Psychodermis" (a mildly political flavoured satire on the Pensions Acts) or yet another political satire on Income Tax evaders as in "Republican and Sinner" where the author (himself a collector) facetiously alludes to Voltaire's famous aphorism "If children did not exist, it would be necessary to invent them," Lawrence Polak is equally persuasive, sincere and emphatic.

Written in a style at once spontaneous, polished, digressive but never ponderous, the author introduces some fascinating classical allusions and undeniable truths to support his views and statements.

SATIRICAL

"Perhaps his pet satirical subject is Woman. In 'Colourable Transactions' he quotes a Bill introduced into the English Parliament in 1770, 'That all women... who seduce and betray into matrimony... by seductive cosmetics, artificial teeth, false hair... that the marriage upon conviction shall stand null and void.' If he smiles a trifle too patronisingly and sophistically at women as in 'Clothes and the Women' and 'Darlings of Equity' his laugh never carries the sardonic cynicism of Swift.

"Lives in Being," a speculation on an insured cat, is a delightful piece of humour and legal idioms "based upon the scales of a chromatic rather than diatonic type... the leitmotif of every cut has its own distinguishing characteristics."

And don't mistake "Hypothesis" for a cult or an "ism." It is a classical and poetic treatment of a very clumsy animal that we all know.

This collection of essays can very properly stand on the shelf, side by side with those of Leigh Hunt's whose style and treatment of subject matter, be it trivial or philosophic, the author greatly resembles—I. L.

He sent \$40,000 to his father-in-law by Chan Fui-ping, and later sent a further \$20,000 to make up a total \$60,000. The sums were acknowledged by his father-in-law, who collected the rent from the new property until October 1950.

The hearing is continuing.

Overtaken Lamp Was Cause Of Last Night's Fire

3,076 PEOPLE REGISTERED AS HOMELESS

Last night's disastrous fire in Kowloon City was apparently caused by a kerosene lamp being overturned, the flames igniting a flimsy bamboo and paper mache partition on the first floor of 88, Lung Chua Road, according to an official statement released this morning.

The flames spread to the next hut, occupied by a flower seller and his wife; they jumped through the window to the ground and raised the alarm.

The fire involved approximately 400 buildings and 3,076 persons have been registered as homeless. Fortunately no casualties have been reported.

The Kowloon Fire Station received the call at 10.50 p.m. through the Police radio control and immediately dispatched six engines, two ambulances and a radio car. These were later reinforced by an additional engine and a car from Hongkong.

The fire fighting was under the direction of Mr. W. J. Gorman, Chief Officer who stated this morning that when the fire was at its height, a number of small explosions occurred—apparently caused by stored fire crackers as well as drums of oil becoming alight.

He said the fire was brought under control by 12.05 a.m. and finally extinguished at 12.45 a.m.

Mr. Gorman added that there was a small home for aged and blind people in the middle of the area and that between 40 and 50 inmates of the home were quickly marshalled out to safety by members of the Brigade before the building became seriously threatened.

Mr. K. Keen, the Government Social Welfare Officer stated this morning that about one third of the 400 buildings are stone structures situated partly inside and partly outside the actual walled city of Kowloon. It is estimated that about half of these inside the city are burnt out.

813 FAMILIES

Officials of the Social Welfare Office were on the scene soon after the fire was reported and quickly got down to the task of screening. This continued throughout the night and was completed this morning. As a result, 3,076 persons representing 813 families have been registered.

Mr. Keen observed that this figure would seem to indicate that there are a lot of single people amongst the victims.

The victims were given temporary shelter last night in the Nansang School nearby. The Social Welfare Officer paid tribute to Mr. Chen, the Headmaster of the school for his willingness and help in placing the school at the disposal of the welfare workers, enabling them to succour the victims and carry out the screening and registration.

Mr. Hui Pel-kuk, Chairman of the Kowloon City Kai-fong Welfare Association is organising a relief committee to raise funds and clothing for the victims.

Meanwhile, the Government Social Welfare Office prepared 2,000 hot meals this morning and is intending to distribute another 2,000 this evening.

The victims are being fed for the time being at the Argyle Street temporary shelter where January's Homeless and Kowloon Tsai fire victims are at present housed.

MAGISTRATE'S ADMONITION

"If people see a Jardine's driver going against the regulations, they are going to be disgruntled," said Mr. Thomas Tam this morning at Central Court.

He was speaking to Pun Yun Tin, a young driver for Jardine and Matheson's who had committed a traffic offence by doing a U-turn over a pedestrian crossing when the lights were against him. He was seen by Insp. Wells who was in a car behind him, giving a driving test.

"You must remember," Mr. Tam continued, "that the higher you go in the world the more you must obey the regulations, because others are likely to follow your example in whatever you do."

He fined the defendant \$10.

Living Language

Why we Say Drat

"Drat" is one of the few medieval oaths still in use. It is short for "God rot them." Similar oaths like "sblood!" (God's blood) and "zounds!" (God's wounds) have long since gone out of use.

Mail Notices

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By Air
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., G.P.O. (New York).
Canada, 6 p.m. H.K.A. (New York).
Japan, 6 p.m. D.O.A.C. (Tokyo).
By Surface
Macau, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., as Leo Hongkong Ship, 1953.
By Air
Formosa, 9 a.m. C.A.T. (Hawaii).
U.S.A. (San Francisco), Noon.
P.A.A. (Panama), 1.30 p.m.
U.S.A. (New York), 4.30 p.m.
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Kowloon Wharf Dividend

The Directors of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, meeting on the 24th inst., have decided to recommend the payment of a Dividend of \$7 free of tax in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1952.

Radio Hongkong

11.15.
6. Programme Summary: 6.22, Too Familiar for words; 6.30, Forces Bandstand—A Gallery by the Band of 1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles by kind permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 6.40, The Concert Band-Master A. W. Davis, (Concert Hall); 7. Time Signal, World News and News of the Day; 7.15, Bird Voices of Britain; 7.20, Four Hand Piano Music by Schubert; 7.25, Weather Report; 7.30, Lullaby; 7.35, Variety Recital presented by Margherita (Studio); 7.40, Orchestra of the Week, the Sino-British Orchestra, conducted by W. B. Foster (Concert Hall); 8.40, Nautilus Wayne and Basil Hudson in "The Music Gallery"; 9.10, Series of Comedies by John Jowett; 2. "Siva" Spencer; 10.10, One Night Stand; 11.15, News Report; 11.30, Radio News Item (Newsroom); 11.45, News Item (Newsroom); 12.00, Close Down.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"It's Junior's teacher! He says Junior told him I had a hot temper and beat up several teachers who gave him low grades!"

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